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## Reston Founder Welcomes Newcomers

**R**eston founder Bob Simon, 99, has sent the Reston Connection the following welcoming message for newcomers to the Reston area:

"I believe you will find you have moved to a friendly place. Your neighbors will want to get to know you no matter how old or young you are and regardless of the color of your skin or the size of your bank balance. The 50 miles of paved pathways within Reston make it possible for you to get around on foot or on a bicycle. You can meet people and make friends on the pathways and you can enjoy the natural open spaces that wind through as they connect to the five Village Centers.

There are many other ways of settling in. For the physically vigorous, a pretty full range of sports exist—swimming, tennis, field sports, ice-skating, and, within a reasonable driving range outside of Reston, horse back riding and hiking. For stimulating the mind:

❖ Our library is one of the best in the state

❖ We have three community centers: a) the largest, located in the Hunters Woods Village Center, has a fully equipped 300 seat theater, craft shops, meeting rooms and a swimming pool; b) the Lake Anne Center with the Rose Gallery for art exhibitions and community meetings also has a ceramics studio with potters wheels; and c) there is the Southgate Community Center with its gymnasium and meeting rooms. Besides all these the YMCA has numerous facilities including a separate teen center. Outstanding is the Y's "out of school" program providing activities and supervision for children's weekdays, weekends and holidays, all the times they are not in school. This catalogue would not be complete without special mention of Reston's two plazas.

[In Europe, as well as on the other continents, the traditional gathering places for the local people, are the plazas—paved areas that exclude motorized vehicles, areas that are enclosed by two or three story buildings with bistros and other retail establishments on the ground floor. Plazas are made for social interaction. It is hard to understand why plazas were not part of the urban or suburban scene from centuries back. Strip shopping centers and air-conditioned malls are no substitute for plazas.

❖ For Reston's first two decades Lake Anne Plaza proved to be the gathering place for many of its citizens.



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**Reston founder Robert Simon waves to the crowd during the 10th annual Founder's Day celebration at Lake Anne Saturday, April 13. Simon celebrated his 99th birthday.**

❖ With the arrival of Fountain Square in Town Center, Restonians had a powerful magnet to draw them in together.

### Simon's Reston Timeline & Favorite Places

Reston's founder, Bob Simon, joins the Reston Connection's Insiders Guide by sharing his list of top 10 favorite events in Reston:

#### EVENTS

- ❖ 1960 — Signing of contract to purchase 1,750 acres of farmland and woods located between DC and the airport under construction (to be named Dulles)
- ❖ 1962 — Adoption by Fairfax County Board of Supervisors of Residential Planned Community Ordinance (RPC)
- ❖ 1964 — Singer Electronics Laboratory and Air Survey Corporation open for business. First residents move in.
- ❖ 1966 — Official dedication with presentations by Poet Laureate Steven Spender and NYC Parks Commissioner August Hecksher, interior Secretary Stuart Udall and representatives of 37 countries with "New Towns"
- ❖ 1997 — I return to Reston and move into condo on 13th floor of Heron House
- ❖ 1998 — I meet Cheryl Terio
- ❖ 2001 — Opening of the Reston Branch of the YMCA

❖ 2009 — Dedication of Nature House at Nature Center

❖ 2010 — Asian Festival and tennis tournament at Brown's Chapel

2014— Metro comes to Wiehle Station

#### PLACES

❖ My bed in 1301 [Heron House] — I love to sleep and nap

❖ Lake Anne Plaza (officially designated Washington Plaza) — modeled after plazas throughout the rest of the world as the social glue of communities

❖ Jasmine and Montmartre restaurants on Lake Anne Plaza — good food, reasonable prices

❖ Pathways going all around Lake Anne — beautiful views, lovely gardens

❖ Fountain Square in Town Center — a true gathering place with its pavilion for skating in winter and events the rest of the year; restaurants and shops

❖ Nature Center — 70 acres of natural beauty and its Nature House for permanent exhibits and frequent classes

❖ Center Stage at Reston Community Center, Hunters Woods — a fully equipped stage with orchestra pit, seating 300 and offering a full schedule of concerts, plays and events

❖ Reston Regional Library

❖ The park located just East of GRACE [Greater Reston Arts Center]

❖ New tennis courts for small children converted from two regular courts located on Washington Plaza W.



Sharon Bulova

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## Welcome to Fairfax County!

BY SHARON BULOVA  
CHAIRMAN, FAIRFAX COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**H**ello and welcome to Fairfax County! Congratulations on finding the best place in the country to live, work, play and grow older comfortably. Fairfax County is home to a fantastic public school system, top tier businesses and some of the best parks and open spaces in the DC Metro region.

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But it's not all big business here. About 97 percent of the companies in Fairfax County are small businesses with fewer than 100 employees and less than \$1 million in annual revenue. Our business community is also diverse, boasting the largest number of foreign-owned firms in the region. Through the first six months of this year, our Economic Development Authority worked with 87 companies that will add more than 2,800 jobs to the county economy.

Fairfax County is home to more than 48,000 acres of parks and open space, and over 500 miles of hiking and biking trails. In 2010, our Park Authority won the coveted Gold Medal for Parks and Recreation from the National Recreation and Park Association and the American Academy for Park and Recreation Administration.

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## NEWCOMERS

# Silver Line Brings New Opportunities

**Metrail line aims to connect Washington, D.C. with Dulles Airport by 2018.**

BY ALEX McVEIGH  
THE CONNECTION

**W**hen the first trains of Metro's Silver Line start carrying passengers, around February 2014, it will mark a new era for Northern Virginia, particularly the northern part of Fairfax County. By 2018, riders from Ashburn, Sterling, Herndon, Reston and McLean will have access to Dulles Airport and Washington, D.C. via the Silver Line.

In June 1996, the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation conducted a study that concluded that a rail located in the median of the Dulles International Airport Access Highway would provide the best opportunity to move people along the corridor and decrease traffic congestion.

The Dulles Transit Partners, a group of companies that would eventually serve as the design and build contractors for Phase One, was formed in October 2000.

In June 2004, the Department of Rail and Public Transportation signed the first comprehensive agreement with Dulles Transit Partners and construction broke ground in March 2009.

The Silver Line is being rolled out in two phases, the first of which is expected to be completed around February of next year.

**THE 11.6-MILE PHASE ONE** begins as an offshoot from the East Falls Church Orange Line Station and continues to Wiehle Avenue in Reston, with four Tysons Corner stations in between.

Construction on Phase One is 96 percent complete. Originally slated for a late 2013 opening, a delay was announced last month by MWAA.

"We are still anticipating a November construction completion date for Phase One. This is in line with the two-month delay previously announced," said Marcia McAllister, communications manager for Dulles Metrorail. "We are continuing to work with our Phase One contractor, Dulles Transit Partners, and with WMATA to complete this project as quickly as possible. However, we will not sacrifice safety and quality. All of us share the goal of providing the safest, highest quality project."

Once construction is complete, MWAA will hand the project over to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, who will perform additional testing and give a more concrete opening date.

The opening for passenger service is now estimated for February 2014.

As of May 31, total expenditures on Phase One has been \$2.454 billion, and the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority



**Nighttime testing along the Silver Line: Eastbound train leaving the Wiehle-Reston East Metrorail Station.**

PHOTOS BY CHUCK SAMUELSON/DULLES CORRIDOR METRORAIL PROJECT



**Tracks weave through Tysons Corner along Route 123. Cranes are working on an office, residential and hotel building at Tysons Corner Center.**

estimates a total cost of \$2.905 billion at completion, a number that includes a contingency reserve.

Phase Two will take the Silver Line all the way to Ashburn, with stops at Reston Parkway, Herndon, Innovation Center in Sterling, Dulles International Airport and it will conclude with two stations in Ashburn, one at Route 606 (Old Ox Road) and one at Route 772 (Ashburn Road).

MWAA received five bids for Phase Two construction in April and awarded the contract to Capital Rail Constructors, a joint venture between Clark Construction Group and Kiewit Infrastructure South, who bid \$1.177 billion.

Pat Nowakowski, executive director of the Dulles Corridor Metrorail project, said he was "very encouraged" by the bid from Capital Rail Constructors.

"The winning proposal is well below our original estimates of \$1.4 billion to \$1.6 billion for this portion of the project, which hopefully will allow us to pass on additional

savings to users of the Dulles Toll Road," he said.

On July 9, MWAA issued an official Notice to Proceed to Capital Rail Constructors, which officially initiates the contract for the construction of the six stations, 11.4 miles of track, guide ways and other components.

MWAA President and CEO Jack Potter called the Notice to Proceed an important milestone.

"This means crews will soon be in the field surveying, performing site preparations and making geological assessments when they finalize permits and other design work," he said. "Actual construction using heavy equipment and cranes will likely be in spring of 2014."

The project also includes construction of a new rail yard on Dulles Airport property, as well as improvements to the existing yard at the West Falls Church station.

According to MWAA, the notice sets a construction completion period of 60 months, meaning July 2018 is the target

completion date.

Both phases of the project were originally budgeted for a total cost of \$5.25 billion, current estimates put the cost at around \$5.6 billion.

According to the funding agreement, Fairfax County will contribute 16.1 percent of costs, Loudoun County will contribute 4.8 percent and MWAA will contribute 4.1 percent. Those amounts are fixed by percent of the total costs.

The remaining costs, save for additional funding from state and federal sources, will be paid for by users of the Dulles Toll Road.

**WITH SUCH AN INVESTMENT** of time and money, Fairfax County is hoping to reap economic rewards from the Silver Line for years to come. Gerald Gordon, president and CEO of the Fairfax Economic Development Authority, says the Silver Line will be a major business catalyst for the region.

"Companies want to be able to get from Washington, D.C. to Dulles Airport the easiest way possible, which is what the Silver Line allows. For example, Intelsat [which announced last December that they would move their headquarters to Tysons Corner in 2014] said they came specifically to take advantage of Metro opportunities," he said. "The companies we're attracting aren't manufacturers, they don't require access to things like raw materials, they need access to ideas, concepts and creativity, and those are the kinds of things that can have a snowball effect on a workforce."

Gordon said that the county currently has about a 17 percent vacancy rate when it comes to office space. Plenty of new office space is under construction in Tysons Corner, with further development to come along the Dulles Toll Road as Phase Two progresses.

"With that kind of rate, you usually wouldn't see a lot of speculative building, but we've got it, especially in Tysons," he said. "There is going to be a challenge to fill existing spaces, but that's where we'll see a ripple effect from the big companies moving into the new space, an effect that will hopefully lead to small businesses marketing federally acquired skills that want to build around, and moving into contracting and subcontracting."

With such an emphasis on technology in the county, particularly in Tysons and the Dulles Corridor, Gordon says he has high hopes for the future of the region's tech business.

"Our new buildings are in high demand from many businesses. We're going to see a lot of world-class technology, cyber IT and biomedical companies coming, they're the future of the economy in this area," Gordon said. "There's a real opportunity for this county and region to become a leader in things like personalized medicine and life sciences. Those kinds of businesses, which rely on a technological approach to medicine, are in the market for an IT workforce, which is an area that this county dominates."

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## NEWCOMERS

# Residents Agree: Reston Rocks

**Restonians on what is so great about living in Reston.**

### **Marivi Mata, teacher, years lived in Reston: 8**

"My family loves living in Reston. The first thing that motivated us to look for a house here were the summer concerts at the Reston Town Center. During our house-hunting trip my husband and I had dinner there, and the music and the people really appealed to us. We also love the trails. My husband mountain bikes and my sons are cross-country runners. They are on the trails all the time. As a family we go on walks and bike rides. It is a perfect combination of outdoor living and city life. Growing up the children took advantage of the sports facilities and sampled numerous sports. Our neighbors are very friendly and supportive. From the day we moved in, when they welcomed us with a pie from the farmers market, to other difficult times, they have been supportive every step of the way."



PHOTO COURTESY OF MARIVI MATA

### **Kerry Storey, marketing, years lived in Reston: 2**

"I love the outdoor life with all of the trails, the lakes, the healthy lifestyle, and the fact that everything is so convenient. You can get anywhere very quickly, whether it's to the grocery store or Home Depot or wherever you need to go. Reston is very social and my neighbors are great. We all talk, it's very neighborly, and it's a planned community so you don't feel like you're in Stepford, if you will. Out in some of the outer communities they are creating these new home developments and everything has been bulldozed. Reston is much more secluded and well maintained, and it's a really great place to live. It's very beautiful."



PHOTOS BY JULIE LANNONE

### **Joanne Becker, retired school teacher, years lived in Reston: 4**

"What I love about Reston is the open spaces, and the people are so friendly and helpful. I also love all the programs that I participate in. I'm a senior citizen and a retired schoolteacher, and at the Reston Community Center they offer so many things for people of all ages, but particularly for senior people. I like the water aerobics, day trips and all the classes. I've taken computer classes and brain exercising classes. They offer very nice things, and the people you meet there are very friendly. My daughters and grandchildren also live in Reston, and they love the pool and how close knit the area is. I actually just came back from the pool with them now. I'm able to see them a lot, which is great."



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# INSIDERS' TIPS

FROM PAGE 6

**Mark Mohr, retired from U.S. Foreign Service; years lived in Reston: 14**

"My family takes advantage of the tennis courts and swimming pools. It's great to have them nearby. I used to play tennis, but I don't any more. Now I joined a senior slow pitch softball league. Reston is great if you have little kids because they have organized sports, which is really good. There are restaurants and lots of places to walk and bike ride. There are Reston arts; the Reston Community Center (RCC) has plays, singing groups and entertainment. They have an orientation at the RCC, and it's good to go to that because it will help a lot."



PHOTOS BY JULIE IANNONE

**Lexi Hilton, psychologist, years lived in Reston: 6 1/2**

"What's great about Reston is how convenient everything is. Everything is very close whether it's daycare, summer camp, or shopping. I feel like I don't have to go very far, and I can walk to a lot of places. It's a great community. I feel like everyone here is friendly and supportive, and even though we're so close to D.C. it still feels small. I always recognize faces and everyone is really nice."

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An aerial view of the Wiehle Avenue station, and the Reston Station development.

The plaza of Reston Station is under construction.

# Developments Abound in Reston

Silver Line, Master Plan task force opportunities loom.

BY ALEX MCVEIGH  
THE CONNECTION

**R**eston will be the first community along the Dulles Corridor to experience the Silver Line with the opening of the Wiehle Avenue Station. With stations at Reston Town Center and

off Sunrise Valley Drive to come as part of Phase Two, the community is actively involved in planning for both phases.

“When it comes to the Metro, we’re taking a multi-dimensional approach, working with groups like the Reston Citizens Association, the Alliance of Reston Clusters and Homeowners and the

Reston Community Center, and making sure all of our views are being heard,” said Ken Knueven, president of the Reston Association board of directors. “We’re going to see a lot of impacts coming with the Silver Line. On one hand, there’s going to be a lot of added value with new businesses and jobs coming, but the other side of

that coin is more people, meaning more congestion and traffic.”

Immediately to the north of the Wiehle Avenue station is the Reston Station development, the first mixed-used Metro development along the Dulles Toll Road. The development will include a public plaza, residential, hotel and retail uses.

There will also be a 2,300-space parking garage, which was handed over to the county by Comstock Partners, the builders, on Aug. 12.

“Looking at Reston Station, and then what’s going around some of the stations in Tysons Corner, I think the Wiehle Avenue station is perfectly set up to be a well-func-

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## COMMENTARY

# Plenty of Money

BY KENNETH R. "KEN" PLUM  
STATE DELEGATE (D-36)

**R**eading a letter Governor McDonnell sent to state employees or listening to a speech he gave to the General Assembly money committees last week you could conclude that Virginia state government has plenty of money. He told both, "For the fourth straight year the commonwealth will enjoy a budget surplus! We concluded Fiscal Year 2013 with a total budget surplus of \$585 million, the largest since 2005. Over the full four years of my term, Virginia has enjoyed a cumulative surplus of nearly \$2 billion—the highest cumulative surplus of any single administration." For a governor in the final months of the one term he can serve (being barred by the Constitution from serving consecutive terms), the governor is given some latitude in hyperbole to try and establish a legacy for himself, especially in light of his other very significant problems. But as I have written each year at the time of the annual announcement of the "surplus," there is much more to the story. The so-called "surplus" is an unappropriated balance of revenue brought about by conservative projections of revenue in a time of economic uncertainty and deliberate actions on the part of the executive branch not to spend monies that were appropriated by the legislature. Of this year's ending balance of \$585 million, \$264.3 million came from higher than estimated revenues; \$320.7 million came from monies that were



budgeted but not spent.

Try telling people who are making out their checks for their son or daughter's college tuition and fees that the state has a surplus, and you may get a less-than-polite response. As the blog for the Commonwealth Institute pointed out, "state support for the state's colleges and universities is down 8 percent even while enrollment has jumped 24 percent. This cut in state support contributed to an astonishing 46 percent jump in average tuition and fees at Virginia's four-year public institutions during this period."

Local officials will show a similar reaction to any talk about a state surplus. School divisions throughout the commonwealth have had to reduce staff and programs even with increased enrollments with the decline in state revenue. K-12 education that should be an equal partnership between state and local government has seen a steady decline in state support to the point that the partnership is now 60 percent local and 40 percent state even as there are more children in the schools.

State employees have some strong reactions to this illusionary surplus when their pension funds have been under-funded year after year, and the estimates of unfunded liability range from \$15 to \$50 billion. Insult and injury are added to public employees by the suggestion that they have somehow caused the state budget problems while their pleas for adequate

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**The Sunrise Valley Wetlands, a 15-acre piece of land near the Herndon-Monroe Park and Ride, is an area residents hope is protected with the coming of the Silver Line.**

# Phase Two: How to Protect Wetlands?

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tioning terminus for the Silver Line for the next few years," said George Langford, who works within a mile of the new station. "Though I'll admit I'm a little nervous about how the traffic is going to affect my morning commute."

Knueven said that has been one of the top planning priorities when it comes to the Wiehle Station.

"As the terminus of the Silver Line until Phase Two is active, we're going to see traffic at the station from Leesburg and beyond, coming to Reston," he said. "Our big challenge is making it as easy as possible for people to access the new station."

**DEVELOPMENT AROUND THE METRORAIL STATIONS** is part of the first phase of the Reston Master Plan Special Study Task Force. The first phase is expected to conclude by the fall, and will include recommendations to the county Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors.

The second phase, expected to begin by early next year, will tackle the village centers in Reston, in hopes of turning them from regular shopping center to more community-oriented spaces.

Reston founder Robert Simon has said on numerous occasions that he intended for the village centers to more closely resemble Lake Anne Plaza, itself inspired by similar centers in Europe.

"Except for Lake Anne, the so-called village centers are just strip centers," Simon said during a program at the Reston Museum. "The best thing for them in the long run is to have them torn down and built into plazas."

Knueven said that during phase two of the Reston special study, the emphasis will be on development surrounding residential areas, rather than transportation issues.

"The village centers are under Reston Association governance, so we will be taking a primary active voice in their future," Knueven said. "Lake Anne, and its future redevelopment is a good template for us to use when looking at the other centers, which we can hopefully make into a true

village center where people can live, work and play. That's a goal most of the centers have yet to achieve."

Knueven said a main challenge will be to balance which centers need changes the most, such as Tall Oaks, against ones that would provide the benefits to the most people.

**ANOTHER AREA OF RESTON** that could be affected by the coming of Phase Two is the Sunrise Valley Wetlands. Located within walking distance of the Herndon-Monroe Park and Ride, the wetlands is a unique location in Reston.

"There is nowhere in Reston quite like it. It is by far our largest and best wetland. It is a favorite spot for environmental education, birds and birders, wildlife and nature enthusiasts, dog walkers and office workers looking for a quiet spot to take a lunch time walk," said Claudia Thompson-Deahl, environmental resource manager for the Reston Association, before a tour of the wetlands. "It has been the nesting area for 23 bird species and 122 bird species have stopped to rest here on their migration journeys."

The 15-acre property is a combination of naturally occurring wetlands and wetlands created to mitigate development elsewhere, and includes a large pond.

Many residents are concerned about its future, given its prime location in relation to the Herndon-Monroe station and several office buildings.

"I lived in Herndon for almost 15 years before I knew about these wetlands. Even though I passed by them several times a week, I didn't even know they were there," said Kristie Ledbetter. "I try and stop by and walk around the property at least once a month, it's a remarkable place. You park nearby and walk into the wetlands, and all of a sudden you're not in the suburbs, or in a technology corridor, but in some kind of wilderness. It's quite striking."

Members of the task force's environmental committee created a report on the wetlands, where they recommended language in any comprehensive plan changes that would protect and preserve the wetlands.

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# Every Year Is Election Year in Virginia

Northern Virginia has most two-party races on ballot.

BY VICTORIA ROSS  
THE CONNECTION

While the Virginia governor's race is the one getting the most attention, both nationally and in the state, Virginia's House of Delegates race is shaping up to be the most competitive in a decade.

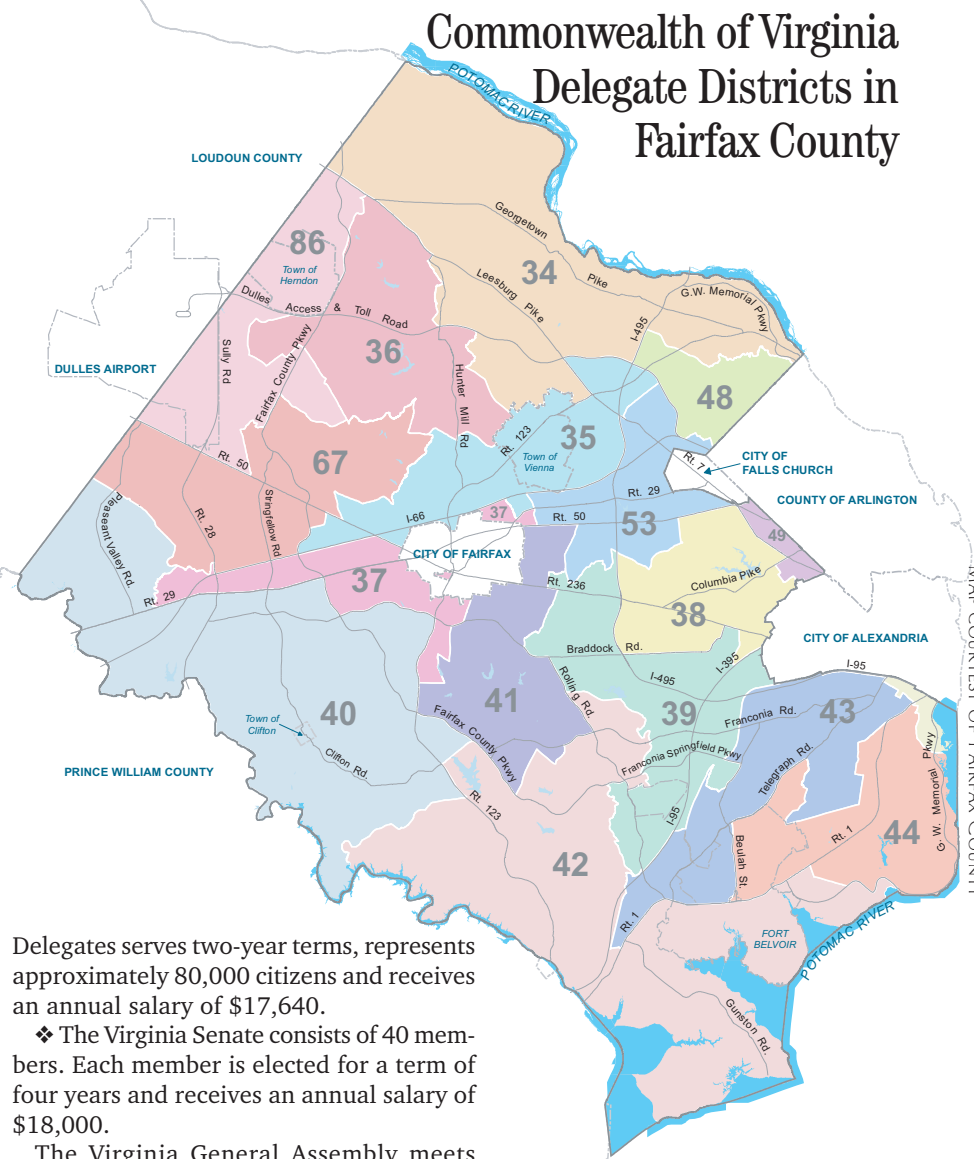
According to an official candidate list released last month by the Virginia State Board of Elections, 57 House seats will be contested this November—marking only the second time in the last decade where at least half of the 100 House seats will have more than one name on the ballot.

2013 is the second election cycle since the House Republican leadership redrew district boundaries following the 2010 Census. In 2011, voters in nearly two-thirds of the 100 House districts had no choice on the ballot.

Of the 57 contested races, 44 include races with at least one Republican and one Democrat, and most of the two-party races on the ballot will take place in Northern Virginia (see chart).

Throughout the state, 43 of the 100 House districts are uncontested, meaning there is only a single candidate on the ballot. Delegates Ken Plum (D-36) and Charniele Herring (D-43) are the only uncontested candidates in Fairfax County.

❖ Each member of the Virginia House of



- ❖ District 40—Democrat Jerrold Foltz challenges Republican incumbent Tim Hugo.
- ❖ District 41—Republican Fredy Burgos and Independent Christopher DeCarolo challenge Democratic incumbent Eileen Filler-Corn
- ❖ District 42—Democrat Ed Deitsch challenges Republican incumbent Dave Albo
- ❖ District 53—Democrat Marcus Simon faces Brad Tidwell (R) and Anothry Tellez (L) to replace retiring Del. Jim Scott (D)
- ❖ District 67—Democrat Hung Nguyen challenges Republican incumbent Jim Lemunyon
- ❖ District 86—Democrat Jennifer Boysko challenges Republican incumbent Tom Rust

## LOCAL RACES WITH ONLY THIRD-PARTY CHALLENGERS:

- ❖ District 38—Jim Leslie challenges Democratic incumbent Kaye Kory
  - ❖ District 43—Glenda Gail Parker challenges Democratic incumbent Mark Sickles
  - ❖ District 44—Joe Glean challenges Democratic incumbent Scott Surovell
  - ❖ District 45—Jeff Engle challenges Democratic incumbent Rob Krupicka
  - ❖ District 47—Laura Delhomme challenges Democratic incumbent Patrick Hope
  - ❖ District 48—Lindsey Bolton challenges Democratic incumbent Bob Brink
  - ❖ District 49—Terry Modglin challenges Democratic incumbent Alfonso Lopez
- Local Uncontested Races:
- ❖ District 36—Democratic incumbent Ken Plum
  - ❖ District 46—Democratic incumbent Charniele Herring

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## School Bond Referendum

On Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 5, Fairfax County voters will be asked to vote YES or NO on the \$250 million school bond question in the general election. The schools plan to use the money to:

- ❖ Build two new elementary schools, one in the Richmond Highway area and one in the Bailey's area
  - ❖ Help renovate 22 schools including 17 elementary schools, two middle schools (Thoreau and Rocky Run) and three high schools (Langley, Herndon and Oakton)
  - ❖ Buy land for the South West County High School
  - ❖ Enhance the capacity of Westbriar Elementary and South Lakes High School
  - ❖ Replace or improve infrastructure, such as roofs, major mechanical systems and parking lots.
- See <http://www.fcps.edu/news/bond13.shtml> for more details.

## Key Political Sources and Websites for Fairfax County Voters

❖ For a detailed list of candidate information, including websites, go to [www.voterinfo.sbe.virginia.gov/PublicSite/Public/FT2/PublicElections.aspx](http://www.voterinfo.sbe.virginia.gov/PublicSite/Public/FT2/PublicElections.aspx).

The Virginia State Board of Elections page provides a detailed list of candidates, website information available for each candidate and sample ballots. Scroll down the "Locality" bar to Fairfax County to filter the election search, or go to "Elections" and scroll down to "November General 2013."

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- ❖ Mark R. Herring (R)  
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- ❖ Mark D. Obenshain (R)  
www.markobenshain.com

## House of Delegates 2013 Elections

### LOCAL RACES WITH MAJOR PARTY CHALLENGERS:

- ❖ District 34—Democrat Kathleen Murphy challenges Republican incumbent Barbara Comstock.
- ❖ District 35—Republican Leiann Leppin challenges Democratic incumbent Mark Kean
- ❖ District 37—Republican Patrice Winter challenges Democratic incumbent David Bulova
- ❖ District 39—Republican Joe Bury challenges Democratic incumbent Vivian Watts

Delegates serves two-year terms, represents approximately 80,000 citizens and receives an annual salary of \$17,640.

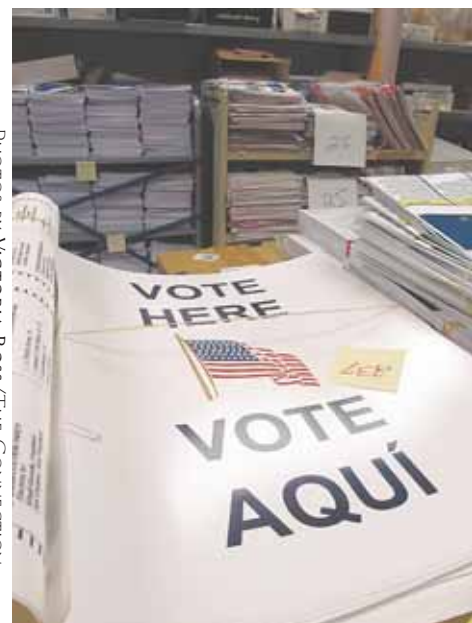
❖ The Virginia Senate consists of 40 members. Each member is elected for a term of four years and receives an annual salary of \$18,000.

The Virginia General Assembly meets annually, beginning on the second Wednesday in January, for 60 days in even-numbered years and for 30 days in odd-numbered years, with an option to extend annual sessions for a maximum of 30 days.



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In addition to the optical scan voting machines, every polling place will be equipped with WINvote "touch-screen" machines, which have been used in Fairfax County since 2003. Luke Baranyk, voting machine custodian, demonstrates the touch-screen technology.



All voter information material must now be translated into Spanish to comply with new state mandates, and signs in Spanish and English hang in all of Fairfax County's polling precincts.

# OPINION

## About the Connection

### Newcomers and Community Guide 2013-2014

**A**s your local, weekly newspaper, the Reston Connection's mission is to bring the local news you need, to gather information about the best things in and near your community, to advocate for community good, to provide a forum for dialogue on local concerns, and to celebrate and record milestones and events in community and people's lives.

Here in our Newcomers and Community Guide, we've included an expanded and updated insider's look at the parks, plus details of how to vote in the upcoming elections, information on local government, nonprofits and business organizations, plus tips and tidbits from the community.

We invite newcomers and long-time residents alike to let us know how we're doing and let us know what is going on in your part of the community. If you have questions or ideas, send us an e-mail or call us, contact us on Facebook or send us a tweet. We invite you to send letters to the editor or to send an e-mail with feedback about our coverage.

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The Connection Newspapers have won hundreds of press awards in just the past few years, including the Virginia Press Association Award for Journalistic Integrity and Community Service, and awards in news, art, business, special projects, sports, entertainment, design, photography, and much more.

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## County Rushing "Dysfunctional" Master Plan?

BY JOHN LOVAAS  
RESTON IMPACT PRODUCER/HOST

**A** bit over four years ago, the Hunter Mill District supervisor announced the formation of a community task force to prepare a new Reston Master Plan to shape Reston, complete with rail service, for a generation. The supervisor said it was a vital mission, top priority, to be completed during 2010. Then, she left the room—and the planning process. Fast forward—the train is about to arrive and the task force has yet to complete even the first half of its work—the comprehensive plan for three new rail station areas. Part two will treat the rest of the community. Why the task force is three years behind schedule is a matter of opinion. Some, including the task force chair, seem to think that the county staff was not up to the job, either because the Board of Supervisors made Tysons Corner their number one priority or because they were simply understaffed. Others point to a lack of competence in-house to do key transportation analyses. In any case, the supervisor, for reasons no one can explain, never took the action necessary to assure the task



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force had the priority and the resources needed to do the job. In fact, the best analytical work for the task force has been produced by our own volunteer Reston Citizens Association. While having only one seat on the task force, RCA volunteers (over 60 in total)

working as the Reston 2020 Committee of the RCA have produced and presented more than a dozen well-researched analytical contributions for the new plan and its implementation. During four years of painful slogging, this task force, broadly representative of the community plus a strong contingent of developers, has written several plan proposals that were never adopted internally. Now, suddenly, the Board of Supervisors seems to be in panic mode—announcing formal hearings for part one of the new Master Plan: Oct. 30 before the County Planning Commission (consisting of political appointees from each supervisor's district); and final review by the Board of Supervisors on Dec. 5. At its last meeting, the task force commented on the latest staff draft Master Plan. It was not well received. Disappointment was

expressed with the overall quality and lack of attention to excellence in design and architecture. RCA went much further. While commending the work of task force members for reaching some difficult compromises including "densities, mixes [of uses], RCA concluded that in the draft the "goals and constraints ... have been utterly destroyed." The RCA spokesman noted that the county contradicted its own Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) policy, proposing higher density further from the station. He also said the draft:

❖ omits or minimizes critical planning elements, "such as phasing, implementation, financing and incorporating parks and recreation [in] stations areas;"

❖ calls on current Reston community and Reston Association to give space and financing for amenities to serve station area residents and workers with no commitment that new folks would become RA members and pay their fair share;

❖ "gives developers ... opportunity to build what they want, in the density they wish at places of their choosing," further clogging already congested roads; and,

❖ fails to identify 100 acres of parks recom-

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## Rescue Reston Hopes to Protect Course

Rescue Reston is a grass-roots organization comprising community volunteers who oppose redevelopment of Reston National Golf Course into residential housing or any site development other than a golf course or comparable open space. This public golf course on the south side of Reston has Reston Association paths crossing its 166 acres and connecting to Lakes Audubon, Thoreau and the Walker Nature Center. Whether you golf or just enjoy the outdoors, learn more about Reston Open Space at [www.RescueReston.org](http://www.RescueReston.org).

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# New Superintendent Relishes Opportunity

**A fan of Baylor grad RG3 ... not Cowboys.**

KAREN K. GARZA, PH.D.  
SUPERINTENDENT, FAIRFAX COUNTY  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

I am honored and humbled to be the new superintendent of Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS). I arrived here from Lubbock, Texas, where I served for the past four years as the superintendent of the Lubbock Independent School District. The opportunity to lead a world-class school system like FCPS was one that I simply could not pass up. I am so appreciative of the very warm welcome my husband, Louis, and I have received since our arrival in June.

You should know that the question I have heard most in my first few weeks on the job is: "Are you a Dallas Cowboys fan?" I can state, unequivocally, the answer to that question is "No." In fact, we are big fans of Baylor grad RG3. Our family includes four grown children and five wonderful grandchildren. One child of ours is now in his third year as an elementary school teacher and, as a former teacher myself, it has been an exciting experience to watch as he grows into the job and learns the joys and, yes, the challenges of teaching. Where I am today is due, in large part, to the many excellent and caring teachers I had along the way. I have already met



**Karen K. Garza**

many FCPS teachers, principals and administrators and I have been so impressed with their commitment to our students. Together, we will make a great team.

One of my first goals is to work with the school board in developing a long-range strategic plan that will incorporate input from FCPS stakeholders including parents, students, educators and community members. The strategic plan will serve as a roadmap to improve academic achievement for all of our students.

I also believe it is important that we develop a graduate profile that clearly shows what our students need to know and be able to do when they leave FCPS for college and career opportunities. We will

build upon the success of the past and, at the same time, confront our realities—achievement gaps, disparities in graduation rates among student groups and the increasing expectations for our schools while experiencing diminishing resources.

Here in Fairfax, not only do we have the talent and the expertise to solve the problems facing us in FCPS, but we are uniquely positioned to solve the most pressing issues facing public schools across the country. We want to lead the national discussion to develop new systems to measure teaching and learning. Standardized testing, while well intentioned, has gone too far and often results in narrowing the instructional focus of schools. We can develop new ways to measure how well our students are learning and how well our teachers are teaching without taking the joy out of either learning or teaching.

I plan to visit schools regularly because the best way for me to understand the needs and expectations of our school division is to talk with and listen to all of our stakeholders. The start of a new school year serves as a reminder that we have wonderful opportunities to make a difference in the lives of our students and that we are extremely fortunate to live in a community that values public education.



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**The Langley High School Class of 2013 celebrates graduation. New superintendent of Fairfax County Public Schools Karen K. Garza calls FCPS "a world-class school system."**

I invite you to share your ideas on ways to make the Fairfax County school system the very best it can be. I believe it is critical that we at FCPS hear from you. Please take a minute and visit [www.fcps.edu](http://www.fcps.edu) and click on "Advice for Superintendent Garza." I wish

you all a most enjoyable and successful school year and I look forward to meeting many of you in the days ahead.

*Karen K. Garza is the new superintendent of Fairfax County Public Schools.*

## Langley High Band to Hold Tag Day Fundraiser

On Saturday, Sept. 7, band members from Langley High School will participate in "Tag Day" throughout neighborhoods in McLean and Great Falls. Each year, the Langley High School Band raises money through door-to-door fundraising, "tagging" neighbors for their monetary support. In return, band members are personally inviting donors to come and enjoy one or all of Langley HS Bands free concerts held in the school auditorium in the winter and spring. The concerts are scheduled for early December and late February.

The Langley Marching Band also provides music and half-time entertainment at all Langley HS Football home games ([www.langleysports.org](http://www.langleysports.org)). Home games this year are Sept.

6, 12 and 27, and Oct. 11 and 25, and this year's entertainment features music from "Les Mis."

The monies raised during Tag Day help Langley Band to replace and restore concert instruments and provide specialized training.

Last year, Langley HS welcomed its new band director, Doug Martin. The band program has grown significantly with Martin and this year, Langley will have one of its largest bands in years. Tag Day is the band's biggest fundraiser, and the band is counting on the support from the community to help them achieve their fundraising goals. Please go to [www.langleybands.org](http://www.langleybands.org) to donate, and see the calendar of upcoming events.



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

**The Langley High band plans to canvas area neighborhoods via door-to-door fundraising to support the band. Expect a friendly "Tag Day" visit Saturday, Sept. 7.**



**Santa Claus hands out candy to children during the 5th Annual WinterFest Parade in McLean on Dec. 2, 2012.**



PHOTOS BY ROBBIE HAMMER/THE CONNECTION

**Gabriel Chaves, 3, sits on his father J.J.'s shoulders while waiting in line to see Santa Claus while attending the 2012 Celebration of Lights and Christmas tree Lighting ceremony in Great Falls.**



**Mayor M. Jane Seeman and Santa Claus light the holiday tree to kick off the 2011 Church Street Holiday Stroll and Vienna's holiday season.**

## A Year in Fairfax County

## A sampling of some of the cherished, annual events of the county.

### SEPTEMBER 2013

King Street Art Festival, Sept. 7-8, 2013  
Burke Centre Festival, Sept. 7-8, 2013  
Annual Workhouse Clay National Ceramics Exhibition, through Sept. 8, 2013  
Reston Triathlon, Sept. 8, 2013  
CCÉ Irish Folk Festival in Fairfax, Sept. 21, 2013  
Clarendon Day, Sept. 28, 2013  
Dulles Day Plane Pull, Sept. 14, 2013  
Reston Multicultural Festival, Sept. 28, 2013  
Fall for the Book Festival at GMU, Sept. 22-27, 2013  
Walk to End Alzheimer's, Sept. 29, 2013

### OCTOBER

Oktoberfest Reston, Oct. 11-13, 2013  
Art on the Avenue Alexandria, Oct. 5, 2013  
McLean Project for the Arts ArtFest, Oct. 6, 2013  
Fall Festival in Old Town Historic Fairfax, Oct. 12, 2013  
Potomac Country House Tour, Second Saturday-Second Sunday in Oct., 2013  
Potomac Day, Third Saturday in October, 2013  
Claude Moore Colonial Farm 1771 Market Fair, Oct. 19-20, 2013  
Great Falls Artists Studio Tour, Oct. 19-20, 2013  
Vienna Halloween Parade, Oct. 24, 2013  
Volunteer Fest, Fourth Saturday in Oct., 2013  
The Washington West Film Festival, Oct. 23-27, 2013

### NOVEMBER

Election Day, Nov. 5, 2013  
The Robinson Marketplace, Nov. 9, 2013  
Joyful Noise Holiday Bazaar and Bakeshop, Third Saturday in Nov., 2013  
Bull Run Festival of Lights and Winter Wonderland Holiday Village, Third Tuesday in Nov., 2013-First Saturday in Jan., 2014  
Alexandria Tree Lighting, Fourth Saturday in Nov., 2013

Church Street Holiday Stroll, Fourth Wednesday in Nov., 2013  
Christmas at Mount Vernon, Nov. 29, 2013  
Scottish Walk, Nov. 29-30, 2013

### DECEMBER

City of Fairfax Festival of Lights and Carols, Dec. 7, 2013  
Great Falls Celebration of Lights, Dec. 7, 2013  
Holiday Boat Parade of Lights, First Saturday in Dec., 2013

### JANUARY

Bull Run Festival of Lights and Winter Wonderland Holiday Village, through the first Saturday in January, 2014  
Live Music at Paradise Springs Winery, Jan. 10, 2014- Jan. 3, 2015

### FEBRUARY

Community Tax Assistance Day

### MARCH

Clarendon Mardi Gras Parade, March 4, 2014  
"City Works" by The Art Monkeys, Second Saturday-Last Sunday in March, 2014  
Chantilly Egg Hunt, Second Sunday in March-First Monday in April, 2014  
Fairfax Brewfest, March 15, 2014  
Herndon Bluegrass Concert Series, Third Wednesday in March, 2014  
2013 National Cherry Blossom Festival, March 20-April 13, 2014  
Northern Virginia Artists League 12th Anniversary, Fourth Wednesday in March, 2014  
2013 National Cherry Blossom Festival Central, Last Sunday in March, 2014

### APRIL

Reston Founder's Day Fest, April 5, 2014  
23rd Annual Best of Reston Gala, April 10, 2014  
Destination Fairfax: Annual Spotlight on the Arts Festival, Third Saturday in April-First Monday in May, 2014  
Historic Garden Tour, April 26-May 3, 2014  
Great Grapes Wine, Art and Food Festival, Fourth Saturday-Fourth Sunday in April, 2014  
Fairfax Fine Arts Festival, Fourth Saturday-Fourth Sunday in April, 2014  
Bull Run Swamp Stomp, April 19, 2014  
Dinosaur Egg Hunt, April 19, 2014  
Easter Puppet Show and Egg Hunt, April 19, 2014  
Herndon Easter Egg Hunt, April 19, 2014  
Ticonderoga Spring Easter Festival, April 19-20, 2014

### MAY

Historic Garden Tour, through May 3, 2014  
Herndon Festival, May 29-June 1, 2014  
Relay for Life, May 17-18, 2014

### JUNE

Alexandria Armenian Festival, First Saturday in June, 2014  
Springfield Days: Party in the Park, First Saturday in June, 2014  
Springfield Days: Cardboard Boat Regatta, First Sunday in June, 2014  
Taste of Reston, Second Friday-Third Sunday in June, 2014  
Crystal Screen: Blockbusters, First Monday in June-Last Monday in August, 2014  
Vintage Crystal: Wine in the Water Park, Fridays in June, 2014  
Lee District Nights Concert Series, First Wednesday in June-Last Wednesday in August, 2014  
Celebrate Fairfax!, June 6-8, 2014  
Mount Vernon Nights Concert Series at Grist Mill Park, First Friday in June-Last Saturday in August, 2014

Concert on the Green, Sundays in June-August, 2014  
Clifton Wine Festival, Fourth Saturday in June, 2014

### JULY

Great Falls Fourth of July Celebration, July 4, 2014  
City of Fairfax Independence Day Celebration, July 4, 2014  
Obon Festival, Second Saturday in July, 2014  
U.S.A. and Alexandria Birthday Celebration, Second Saturday in July, 2014  
Annual Workhouse Clay National Ceramics Exhibition, Last Wednesday in July through Second Sunday in Sept., 2014

### AUGUST

County 4-H Fair and Frying Pan Farm Park Show at Frying Pan Farm Park, First Saturday-First Sunday in Aug., 2014  
National Night Out, Aug. 5, 2014  
Arlington County Fair, Aug. 6-10, 2014  
Pakistan Independence Day Festival U.S.A., Third Sunday in Aug., 2014

### SEPTEMBER 2014

King Street Art Festival, First Saturday-Second Sunday in Sept., 2014  
Burke Centre Festival, First Saturday-Second Sunday in Sept., 2014  
Reston Triathlon, Second Sunday in Sept., 2014  
Dulles Day Plan Pull, Second Saturday in Sept., 2014  
Fall for the Book Festival at GMU, Fourth Sunday-Fourth Friday in Sept., 2014  
Clarendon Day Run, Last Saturday in Sept., 2014  
Reston Multicultural Festival, Fourth Saturday in Sept., 2014  
Walk to End Alzheimer's, Last Sunday in Sept., 2014

## ENTERTAINMENT

Send announcements to [reston@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:reston@connectionnewspapers.com). The deadline is the Friday prior to the following week's paper. Photos/artwork encouraged. For additional listings, visit <http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/news/2013/apr/11/fairfax-county-calendar/>.

### THURSDAY/AUG. 29

**Mama's Black Sheep.** 7:30-8:30 p.m., at Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon. Mama's Black Sheep is the musical collaboration of singer-songwriters Ashland Miller (guitar/vocals) and Laura Cerulli (drums/vocals). [www.mamasblacksheep.com](http://www.mamasblacksheep.com).

**Drink Til We're Funny Comedy Tour.** 9-11 p.m., at Kalypso's Sports Tavern, 1617 Washington Plaza N., Reston. The tour featuring acclaimed national comedians stops in Reston; ages 21-plus. [kalypsosportstavern.com](http://kalypsosportstavern.com).

### SATURDAY/AUG. 31

**Porsche Club Car Show.** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Reston Town Center Pavilion and Market Street, 11900 Market St., Reston. The Porsche Club of America, Founder's Region, showcases vintage Porsches. [pcapotomac.org](http://pcapotomac.org).

**Cooking Class.** Noon. 11990 Market St., Reston. Guests are invited to a cooking demonstration and a three-course lunch with wine. \$45.

**Lake Anne Jazz & Blues Festival.** 1-8 p.m., at Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. Unified Jazz Ensemble, Beverly Cosham, Peter Fraize, Mykle Lyons, Adrian Duke, Sam Gunderson and headliner Rashida Jolley perform at the popular late-summer jazz fest; refreshments available in the beer garden [www.lakeanneplaza.com](http://www.lakeanneplaza.com).

### THROUGH SUNDAY/SEPT. 1

**Duy Lam: Union of Color and Form** at the Post Gallery, ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center St., Herndon. Visit the ArtSpace Gallery to view the works of Vietnamese painter and poet Duy Lam, impressionistic painter and abstract expressionist artist. 703-956-6590 or [www.artspaceherndon.org](http://www.artspaceherndon.org).

### MONDAY/SEPT. 2

**25th Annual Herndon Labor Labor Day Festival.** Noon-6 p.m., at 777 Lynn St., Downtown Herndon. An annual one-day outdoor street festival featuring a wide range of live music, 12 Virginia wineries, local microbreweries, a craft show, sponsorship gallery, culinary demonstrations and food vendors; no pets allowed. Partial proceeds go to scholarship programs. Admission with unlimited wine tasting and 2 beer tickets: \$20 (includes commemorative tasting glass); entrance only, no alcohol: \$10. 703-787-7300 or [www.herndon-va.gov](http://www.herndon-va.gov).

### SATURDAY/SEPT. 7

**Run With the Doctor.** 7 a.m. 108 Elden St., Herndon. The Center for Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine offers its services in a convenient format to runners at this running event. Free. [facebook.com/runwiththedoctor](http://facebook.com/runwiththedoctor).

**Reston Community Yard Sale.** 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at Reston Association, 12001 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston. Ninety-five families will be selling a variety of items so this event is a great opportunity to find things for a new home or a college dorm. Vendor space is sold

out. In case of rain in the forecast, call 703-435-6577 the morning of the event for a recorded message.

**Tig Notaro.** 8 p.m. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. The comedian opens the Centerstage season with her comedy act after appearing on "Comedy Central Presents" and "The Sarah Silverman Show." \$15 Reston, \$30 Non-Reston. [www.restoncommunitycenter.com](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com).

### THURSDAY/SEPT. 12

**40 for 40: Celebrating 40 Decades of G.R.A.C.E.** 6-9 p.m. Greater Reston Arts Center, 12001 Market St #103, Reston. Forty artists affiliated with G.R.A.C.E. will showcase their work in celebration of the center's 40th anniversary.

### SUNDAY/SEPT. 15

**Green Lizard Bike-a-Thon.** 9 a.m., at Green Lizard Cycling in Downtown Herndon. Proceeds from this ride will support Herndon High School's **The Pride of Herndon Marching Band** as they prepare for their upcoming appearance in the Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade in Waikiki, Hawaii on December 7. This half century ride follows the Washington & Old Dominion Trail from Herndon to Purcellville and back. Riders may also choose an abbreviated 25 mile ride which will turn around in Leesburg on the same W&OD Trail. 703-707-2453 or [www.greenlizardcycling.com](http://www.greenlizardcycling.com).

**Left Bank Quartet.** 3 p.m. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck



**The seventh annual Lake Anne Jazz & Blues Festival is Saturday, Aug. 31, 1-8 p.m., and features the likes of Beverly Cosham and Rashida Jolley.**

Road, Reston. Four D.C.-based musicians perform a musical tapestry that has become a CenterStage Favorite. \$15 Reston, \$30 Non-Reston. [www.restoncommunitycenter.com](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com).

### FRIDAY/SEPT. 20

**Red Molly and We're About 9.** 8 p.m. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Folk trio Red Molly performs their acclaimed music as part of the CenterStage Professional Touring Artist Series. \$15 Reston, \$30 Non-Reston. [www.restoncommunitycenter.com](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com).

### SATURDAY/SEPT. 21

**Run With the Doctor.** 7 a.m. 108 Elden St., Herndon. The Center for Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine offers its services in a convenient format to runners at this running event. Free. [facebook.com/runwiththedoctor](http://facebook.com/runwiththedoctor).

### SATURDAY-SUNDAY/SEPT. 21-22

**Rally for a Cause Tennis Tournament.** 9 a.m., at Lake Newport Tennis Center, 11452 Baron Cameron Ave., Reston. Men's and women's singles and doubles, with brackets for all levels of players, to benefit USTA Serves, Heart and Cornerstones. \$30. [www.restontennis.org](http://www.restontennis.org) or [rally4acause@restontennis.org](mailto:rally4acause@restontennis.org).

### SATURDAY/SEPT. 28

**2013 National Heritage Award Fellowships at the Reston Multicultural Festival.** Reston Community Center Lake Anne, 1609 Washington Plaza N, Reston. Reston Community Center celebrates Seamus Connolly and Veronica Castillo, recipients of the nation's highest honor in folk and traditional arts. Free. [www.restoncommunitycenter.com/](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com/)

## Dancing to Lift Spirits Gin Dance Company to perform in Reston.

BY DAVID SIEGEL  
THE CONNECTION

“Dance is an amazing art form that you can deliver stories, ideas, meanings and emotions through body language. It's a very powerful thing,” said Shu-Chen Cuff, artistic director of the Fairfax County-based Gin Dance Company. The company will be performing in the coming weeks at Reston's CenterStage and then at the Reston Multicultural Festival.

Gin Dance Company's original works reflect Shu-Chen's Asian heritage melded with contemporary Western dance movement: a flowing fusion of Asian and Western cultural artistry. She was born in Taiwan and resides in Reston.

“Choreographing a dance is like making a cake. You have an idea or image in your head of how it should look and taste, then you start adding layers and decorations onto the cake to complete the product. As choreography, the movements, the music, the costume, and the props/sets are the layers and



**Gin Dance Company dancers in “The Core.”**

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RUTH JUDSON  
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DANCE COMPANY

decorations on the cake,” said Shu-Chen. “Inspirations come from everywhere.”

Sometimes listening to an interesting piece of music such as Arvo Part's classically inspired, minimalist piano work “Spiegel im Spiegel” can bring an idea for her work. Other times, she has a dance vision and then searches for the right music.

At the CenterStage performance,

the Gin Dance Company will perform original works such as “The Teller,” a work about fate and destiny.

It was created “to deliver an awakening message for people to take charge and tell your own story in life and not to let someone else do it for you. ... We are masters of our own destiny and we shape our own futures,” continued Shu-Chen.

The thought provoking “The

Core” was inspired by lights; their design and their impact on the mind. “I explore through dance the interconnectivity between all things in the universe. Our inner strength, emotion, and energy can affect the people around us.

We are not alone. ... We are all connected.” Another piece, “Dear Mr. Cooper,” is about giving oneself the “second chance” to express appreciation to someone special,

### Where and When

“A Night with Gin Dance Company” at Reston Community Center CenterStage, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Hunters Woods, Reston. Performance, Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$30. Call 703-476-4500 or visit: [www.restoncommunitycenter.com](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com) or [www.gindance.org](http://www.gindance.org). Note: Post show discussion moderated by local news reporter Surae Chinn, WUSA9 \*Gin Dance Company at 2013 Reston Multicultural Festival, Global Stage, Lake Anne Village Center 1609 Washington Plaza N Reston. Performing, Sept. 28, 2013 at 3:15 p.m. Non-ticketed free community event.

when the first opportunity was missed, noted Shu-Chen.

Jane Rabinovitz, a Gin Dance troupe member and Fairfax County native, described Shu-Chen's choreography as telling a story. “Sometimes it is a specific story that she wants people to see or hear and other times it is a story offered up for interpretation by any and all audience members.”

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## NEWCOMERS

# Election Guide

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❖ For more information on the state legislature, go to [viriniageneralassembly.gov](http://viriniageneralassembly.gov).

❖ Voters with any questions about voting this Election Day can visit two comprehensive websites for answers: The Virginia State Board of Elections website at [www.sbe.virginia.gov](http://www.sbe.virginia.gov) and The Fairfax County Office of Elections website at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/voterinfo](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/voterinfo).

❖ If you don't find the information you need at the websites, call the Office of Elections at 703-222-0776.

❖ Fairfax now has a free smartphone mobile app to check your registration and other voting information. Download the free app by searching Fairfax County Government at the App Store (coming soon to Android Market) or go to <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/mobile/>. Once you download the app, look for the "VOTE" icon.

Following are links to other sites election officials suggest voters check out before Election Day:

❖ Map Information: this site shows the 2011 adopted districts, precincts, boundary changes and polling place changes in Fairfax County. (Scroll down to find the maps.) [http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/eb/1precinctchanges\\_adopted7262011.pdf](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/eb/1precinctchanges_adopted7262011.pdf).

❖ Voting Precincts: this site gives information on an individual's voting precincts on Fairfax County's website "My Neighborhood" pages at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/gisapps/myneighborhood/>.

❖ Voter Information, Directions to Polling Places: this State Board of Elections website has information useful now and for future elections. <https://www.voterinfo.sbe.virginia.gov/PublicSite/Public/FT2/PublicLookup.aspx?Link=Registration>.

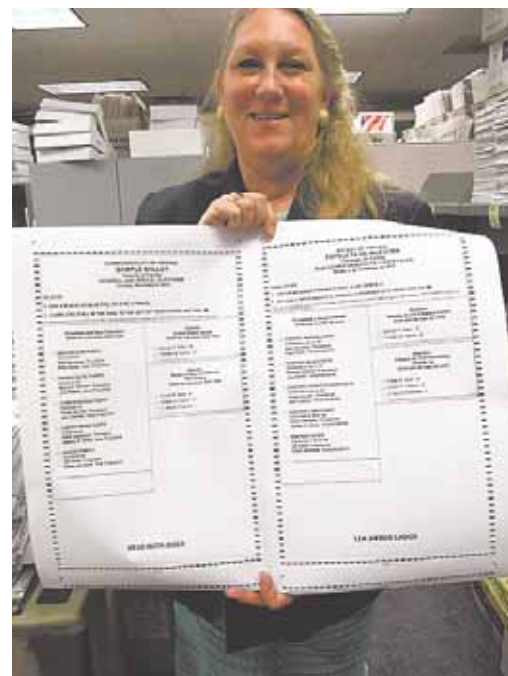


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**Cameron Quinn, Fairfax County's chief elections official, holds up a sample ballot in the county's office of elections.**

## Absentee Voting

Virginia does not have "no excuse" absentee voting. If you want to complete a Virginia Absentee Ballot Application, download from [www.SBE.Virginia.gov](http://www.SBE.Virginia.gov), or call 703-222-0776. The application must be mailed or faxed to the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office. The office is located at 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 323, Fairfax. The registrar's fax number is 703-324-3725.

Virginia does offer in-person absentee voting. See [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/eb](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/eb) for details.

## Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 5.

❖ Polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

❖ Voter Identification: When you arrive at your polling place, a voting official will verify that your name is on the registration list. Voters will be asked to present one valid form of identification. It can be any of the following:

- ❖ Virginia voter registration card
- ❖ Valid Virginia driver's license
- ❖ Military ID
- ❖ Any Federal, Virginia state or local government-issued ID
- ❖ Employer issued photo ID card
- ❖ Concealed handgun permit
- ❖ Valid student ID issued by any institution of higher education located in the Commonwealth of Virginia
- ❖ Current utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck indicating the name and address of the voter
- ❖ Social Security card (does not satisfy special federal ID requirements)

A voter who does not bring an acceptable ID to the polls will be offered a provisional ballot.

Important: Virginia's existing voter ID requirements will change in July, 2014. A law requiring photo identification at the polls was signed into law in May of 2013. This new photo identification requirement will not take effect until July 1, 2014. The current law allows for the acceptance of all identification documents listed above.

## How to Register

Eligible voters in Fairfax County must be 18 years of age, current U.S. citizens and live within the county. Applications to register to vote by mail can be found at the Department of Motor Vehicles, public libraries, military recruitment offices, public assistance agency offices, government centers, Board of Supervisors offices, the citizen information desk at the Fairfax County Government Center lobby or at the Judicial Center information desk.

❖ To check if your registration is correct, go online at [www.sbe.virginia.gov/](http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/), register, or call the Office of Elections at 703-222-0776.

❖ If you are not registered, or need to update your registration, complete a Virginia Voter Registration Application, which you can download at <http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/>, or call 703-222-0776.

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## THE COUNTY LINE

# What in the World Does a Supervisor Do, and Why Should We Care?

Local Government 101: Where the rubber meets the road.

BY VICTORIA ROSS  
THE CONNECTION

**W**e see them at just about every community event. They manage a budget larger than the budgets of four states, and rule over a county with a diverse, well-educated population of more than a million people.

The 10 members of the Fairfax County Supervisors have an intense, time-consuming, insanely detailed job, one that comes with enormous power and even more responsibilities.

They impact our lives in large and small ways, allocating money and resources in ways that can propel our community forward—or cost us our first-rate status in education, livability and culture.

Yet most of us, media included, are so focused on politics at the state and national level that we overlook the decision-makers in our own backyard.

As an electorate, we put the rest of the nation to shame when we turn out in record numbers to vote in top-of-the-ticket races. But when it's time to cast a ballot for county supervisors? We collectively shrug our shoulders, providing, at best, a 35 percent show of hands.

What do they even do at the county level that's important enough for us to care about in the first place?

A fair question.

So we asked them to tell us, in 250 words or less. Below are their unedited responses.

**What is a supervisor? How do you impact the lives of county residents and why should we care?**

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"Local government is where the rubber meets the road. Each year, when the Board of Supervisors approves the budget, we invest in our community's priorities. We boast a well-educated, informed and engaged community. It is critical to have Fairfax County residents at the table when we make important decisions that affect their daily life. This year we will make significant investments in transportation, thanks to new revenue approved by the General Assembly. We need our civic leaders to let us know what transportation improvements you would like to see in and around your community. We will also make critical investments in health and human services. We need to continue making progress toward our goal of ending homelessness as we know it in Fairfax County. Our economy is slowly recovering from the recession and development will begin to pick up. We will concentrate that development in areas that can support it in order to keep growing while protecting our older, stable neighborhoods. Growing our business community is key to our success and will help keep residential



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### SUPERVISOR JEFF MCKAY (D-LEE)

"As Lee District Supervisor, constituent service is the most important thing I do. The supervisor's office is the first and sometimes the last resort. We hear from people who want a pothole filled and from those with human service needs. We hear from people asking if they need a permit to build a garage—and from those asking if their neighbor's construction has a permit. We help to resolve stormwater management problems, drainage issues, parking disputes, and many other issues—from animal control to zoning.

Land use is an important part of the Lee District supervisor's job and requires balancing the needs of property owners, neighbors, the larger community and the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

On a broader scale, I work with our state and federal government to get the best outcomes for our region and our district, for example Rail to Dulles and BRAC [Base Realignment and Closure Commission, which places, realigns and consolidates military installations in the DoD].

Local government is a balancing act walking on a thin tightrope. Virginia is a Dillon Rule state, unlike Maryland, a Home Rule state. In Virginia, counties can only enact laws and ordinances with enabling legislation from the General Assembly. Every year, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Legislative Committee (that I chair) prepares its legislative package with details of legislation that it supports or opposes. That package is presented to the General Assembly.

Public service is a 24/7 job. The rewards are in helping to shape the future of our district and our region and to making Lee District and Fairfax County a great place to live, work and raise a family.

### SUPERVISOR JOHN FOUST (D-DRANESVILLE)

"As the Dranesville District supervisor, I represent the approximately 120,000 residents of the district on the board. I work with the chairman and the other eight supervisors on county policies, programs and projects for transportation, the environment, land use, health care, human services, housing, economic development and many other services that directly impact all county residents and businesses. We also formulate and approve the annual county budget (including the amount transferred to the school system), establish local tax rates, approve or reject land use proposals, and make appointments to

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RCC Lake Anne Jo Ann Rose Gallery.

## Man Dies in Reston Area Crash

Fairfax County Police are investigating a fatal crash that took place on Sunrise Valley Drive near Commerce Park Drive.

An 82-year-old woman was driving a 2000 Subaru Legacy when she struck the rear of a Fairfax Connector bus while she attempted to change lanes at around 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23.

The driver and her 82-year-old passenger were both transported to Inova Fairfax Hospital. The passenger, Webster Griffith of Fieldstone Lane in Reston, was pronounced dead at the hospital.

Speed and alcohol were not factors in the crash. No charges have been placed. Crash Reconstruction Unit detectives are continuing the investigation.

## Body Discovered In South Lakes Area

Around 9:30 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 23 officers responded for an elderly man whose property was located in the 11100 block of South Lakes Drive. The owner of the property could not be located. While searching, the patrol officers, assisted by the police helicopter, located a body in Lake Thoreau next to the shopping center. The police dive team responded and recovered the body from the water. The body has been identified as Roy Cooley, 91, of Reston.

The investigation is ongoing but does not appear criminal in nature.

## COMMENTARY

## Plum

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annual funding of their pension programs have been ignored.

With a budget surplus in the state, parents of children in training centers wonder why the centers are being closed. Families with members in need of mental health services wonder why the wait. Tax critics wonder why taxes were increased for transportation if the state has a surplus.

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## SPORTS

# Getting to Know Herndon, South Lakes, Oakton High Sports

## Herndon High: Boys' Basketball Team Won Concorde District Title

School: Herndon High School  
Mascot: Hornets  
School Colors: Red and black  
Athletic director: Jonathan Frohm, 703-810-2275

❖Football coach: Brian Day (second year)

The Hornets finished the 2012 season with a 1-9 record, getting their lone victory against Washington-Lee.

❖Field hockey coach: Mary Miller

❖Volleyball coach: Rebecca Waters

❖Boys' basketball coach: Gary Hall

❖Girls' basketball coach: Cornelius Snead

❖Wrestling coach: Mike Gonzales

❖Baseball coach: Greg Miller

❖Boys' soccer coach: Trey Mesiah

Rival school: South Lakes



**Head coach Gary Hall led the Herndon boys' basketball team to a Concorde District title during the 2012-13 season.**

What Happened Last Year: The field hockey team finished 13-7 and won a game in the region tournament. The boys' basketball team posted an 18-7 record, won the district championship and advanced to the region quarterfinals. The boys' soccer team finished 9-3-3 and qualified for the region tournament. The softball team finished the regular season with a 15-5 record.

Famous graduates: Brandon Guyer (2004) was an outfielder/designated hitter for the University of Virginia and a fifth-round selection of the Chicago Cubs in the 2007 MLB Draft. He now plays for the Tampa Bay Rays. Scottie

Reynolds (2006) was a McDonald's All-American and three-time Northern Region Player of the Year for the boys' basketball team. He played collegiately at Villanova University.

Quotable: "Anytime, as a coach, you look for something that's going to give you some credibility. Although I've coached, and [Herndon players] know that, they don't care about what happened 15 years ago. We needed a signature win to give our program some credibility. Tonight is it."

—Herndon boys' basketball coach Gary Hall after the Hornets beat a Chantilly team that entered the contest with a 12-1 record.

CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE CONNECTION

## South Lakes High: Boys' Soccer Team Won Liberty District Championship

School: South Lakes High School  
Mascot: Seahawks  
School colors: Royal blue and kelly green  
Athletic director: Linda Jones, 703-715-4517  
❖Football coach: Marvin Wooten (third year)

The Seahawks finished 3-7 in 2012, a two-game improvement from the 2011 season. South Lakes defeated Herndon, Louisa County and Marshall.

❖Field hockey coach: Jessica Salo

❖Volleyball coach: Cheri Hostetler

❖Boys' basketball coach: Andrew Duggan

❖Girls' basketball coach: Christy Winters Scott

❖Baseball coach: Galvin Morris

❖Boys' soccer coach: Marty Pfister

Rival school: Herndon

What Happened Last Year: The girls' basketball team posted a 23-6 record and finished region runner-up. The Seahawks won their first three region tournament games by a combined five points. The boys' soccer team finished 16-2, won a district championship and reached the region quarterfinals.

Famous graduates: Grant Hill (1990) has played 17 seasons in the NBA for the Detroit Pistons, Orlando Magic, Phoenix Suns and Los Angeles Clippers. The Pistons selected Hill with the third pick of the 1994 NBA Draft. Hill was the 1995 NBA co-Rookie of the year and is a seven-time All-Star. After being named a McDonald's All-American at South Lakes, Hill played collegiately at Duke University, where he won two national championships. In 1994, he was a first-team All-American and the ACC Player of the



**Head coach Christy Winters Scott led the South Lakes girls' basketball team to the region semifinals during the 2012-13 season.**

Year. Alan Webb (2001) is a professional track athlete who holds the American record in the mile. He's competed in the 2004 Olympic Games. Christy Winters-Scott (1986) played basketball for the University of Maryland and was inducted into the school's athletic hall of fame.

Quotable: "We didn't make it to the championship in our district, which is a very big disappointment. Advancing all the way to the regional championship shows how mentally tough we are and how we were able to come out of a loss from the district tournament strong and ready to keep competing."

—Former South Lakes girls' basketball player Gabrielle Schultz

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**Running back Mike Wandey and the Oakton football team won the 2012 Northern Region championship.**

## Oakton: Football Team Won the Northern Region Championship

School: Oakton High School  
Mascot: Cougars

School Colors: Burgundy and gold

Athletic director: Pat Full, 703-319-2760

❖Football coach: Jason Rowley (third year)

The Cougars won their first six games of the 2012 regular season, but closed with a four-game losing streak and entered the postseason as the No. 7 seed. Oakton responded by beating the region's top three seeds to capture the region championship.

❖Field hockey coach: Kaitlin Fleischmann

❖Volleyball coach: Dan Courain

❖Boys' basketball coach: Dave Brooks

❖Girls' basketball coach: Fred Priester

❖Baseball coach: Justin Janis

❖Boys' soccer coach: Todd Spitalny

❖Rival school: Madison

What Happened Last Year: The girls' cross country team finished state runner-up. The volleyball team won a district title. The field hockey team finished district runner-up and reached the region quarterfinals. The girls' basketball team went 22-5, finished district runner-up and reached the region semifinals. The boys' soccer team finished 18-1-2, winning district and region championships before falling in

the state semifinals. The baseball team posted a 21-6 record, won a district title and finished region runner-up. The softball team won a district title. The girls' lacrosse team finished district runner-up.

Famous graduates: Eugene Chung (1987 graduate) was an offensive lineman selected by the New England Patriots in the first round of the 1992 NFL Draft. He also played for the Jacksonville Jaguars and Indianapolis Colts during his five-year career.

He played collegiately at Virginia Tech. Cody Grimm (2005) is a safety for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. He played collegiately at Virginia Tech before the Buccaneers selected him in the seventh round of the 2010 NFL Draft.

Jasmine Thomas (2007) is a guard for the WNBA's Atlanta Dream. She played collegiately at Duke, where she was one of the program's top 10 scorers of all time.

The Seattle Storm selected Thomas in the first round of the 2011 WNBA Draft.

Quotable: "Just looking back on our season, it's amazing how we got here."

—Former Oakton quarterback Kyle Downer. The football team won its first six games, lost its next four and then beat the top three seeds in the region playoffs to win the region title.

## THE COUNTY LINE

# Board of Supervisors: What Do They Do?

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various authorities and commissions that serve county residents and businesses.

One of the most important responsibilities of a district supervisor and his or her staff is constituent services. My staff and I assist Dranesville residents on issues that involve the county government, utilities and state government (especially VDOT). We regularly work with constituents on issues involving building and zoning code enforcement, traffic calming, storm water, human services, utility complaints, storm recovery and road and sidewalk maintenance.

Why is it important to vote in a county supervisor election? No level of government has more impact on our daily lives and the type of community we live in and will leave for our children. Residents should participate in the election process to ensure that they have a supervisor who shares their values, who will be effective on their behalf, and who actively solicits their input on major issues that affect their community."

### SUPERVISOR MICHAEL FREY (R-SULLY)

"The Board of Supervisors doesn't do war and peace, but it's hard to argue that the Board of Supervisors is not responsible for most of the issues that people deal with every day. Whether the piece of property

next door is developed for houses or a shopping center or parkland falls under the direct authority of the board. School funding, police and fire protection are the direct responsibility of the board. The county provides a host of programs and services—libraries, parks and recreation, transportation and planning, and a wide range of human services. These are areas of life that we all deal with every day and that affect the quality of life. In many instances it is this range of services that attracted people to choose to live here in the first place. It is critical that people watch the board, get involved in their local governmental processes and help shape our community. At a minimum, people should vote! If you don't vote you can't complain!"

### SUPERVISOR JOHN COOK (R-BRADDOCK)

"More than any other elected official at any level of government, a county supervisor has the greatest effect on your everyday lives.

First, I believe strong neighborhoods are the foundation of our strong county. I work with civic and homeowners' associations, community pools, recreational leagues, scout troops and other organizations to help them provide a foundation for our neighborhoods. The county's '50+' plan is looking for communities to volunteer to be 'vil-

lages' where our seniors help each other so they can stay in their homes in their later years. Second, the county government provides among the best police and fire and rescue departments in the country, and we are building a more robust emergency response network that connects citizens with county agencies. We have a world-class public school system, which receives priority in the county budget. Our human service system combines government programs with faith-based and non-profit programs to help people with disabilities and people in need of a 'pick up' to get themselves on track. Third, we are rebuilding our infrastructure, from stormwater management systems that protect the environment, to parks and trails for recreation, to a water and sewer system that is clean and efficient. As your supervisor, I am here to help make your neighborhood the best place it can be.

### SUPERVISOR PAT HERRITY (R-SPRINGFIELD)

"I have always agreed with Thomas Jefferson's notion that government closest to the people is best, and you cannot get much closer to the people than being a supervisor. Supervisors' jobs are multi-faceted; we're the ones you call when you have a problem with your taxes, neighborhood blight, roads, or if you have trouble with county or state agencies. Supervisors hire

the police chief and fund the police, fire department and health department. We're the ones who approve new commercial construction like in Tysons, or new Metro-rail and bus routes. In fact, I would go as far to say that about 80 percent of an individual's contact with government at any level is at our level. One of the most important jobs of the supervisor is constituent service. We work hard to address and resolve issues and problems for our residents, be they simple or complex. I also believe communication with constituents on issues that are important to them is a critical job of the supervisor—I hold town hall meetings, attend numerous events and community/HOA meetings and publish a newsletter—sign up at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/herrity-report-newsletter.htm>. I look forward to serving you.

### LINDA SMYTH (D-PROVIDENCE)

"The Board of Supervisors collectively provides local government in Fairfax County. What does that mean? Supervisors set the local tax rates and approve the county budget, which provides funding for schools, parks, libraries, public safety and other public facilities and services. In other words, what we do touches our residents' everyday lives. And when residents have questions or problems, we are the ones they call for answers and solutions."

### BULLETIN BOARD

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##### American Red Cross Blood Drive.

8 a.m.-2 p.m. Reston Hospital-West Wing, 1850 Town Center Parkway, Reston. The organization's Greater Chesapeake and Potomac Blood Services Region is taking blood donations. Schedule a donation appointment at 1-800-733-2767 or [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

#### THURSDAY/SEPT. 5

##### 5th Annual Portrait Competition

**Deadline.** 2 p.m., at ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center St., Herndon. Professional and amateur artists 18 and older residing in Virginia, Maryland, D.C. Delaware and West Virginia are eligible to submit portraits to compete for a \$500 first-, \$200 second- and \$100 third-place prize and placement of portrait in an exhibit; judging this year is Ted Reed, an internationally award-winning portrait artist and teacher. [www.ArtSpaceHerndon.com](http://www.ArtSpaceHerndon.com).

#### FRIDAY/SEPT. 30

##### Public Call for Bra Designs

**Deadline.** If you have the gift of creativity and want to help in the fight against breast cancer or honor a loved one, the public is encouraged to submit bra designs to be auctioned off to support the Tigerlily Foundation. All bra entries must be a new, padded, 36C bra with underwire and straps fully extended as a design base. The fee to submit a decorated and designed-by-you bra is \$25. Additional submission guidelines are located at: [www.cupsfullofhope.com](http://www.cupsfullofhope.com).

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Effective December 31, 2013, Inova Cares Clinic for Children will no longer provide Pediatric services at the clinic located at 1175 Herndon Parkway, Suite 500, Herndon, VA 20170. Patients wishing to remain with Inova Cares Clinic providers will have the option to continue their care at our Falls Church location: 6400 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 210, Falls Church, VA 22042. The Herndon clinic receptionist will gladly help you make the transition. Patients may request a copy of their medical record by completing a records release request which can be obtained from the Herndon clinic or by calling 703-531-3100. After December 31, 2013, custodianship of all records will remain with Inova Cares Clinic for Children in Falls Church and copies may be requested at any time.

# NEWCOMERS

Lake Anne from the coffee house.



PHOTOS BY  
FRAN LOVAAS

## Magic of Lake Anne Mornings

Every day I marvel at the magic, waking up to a different lake each morning with the changes of the seasons and years.

BY FRAN LOVAAS

### INSIDERS' TIPS

Lake Anne has always been the heart of Reston for me. We moved to our townhouse on the lake in the winter of 2002 and as we hauled the last box in, it started to snow. Tired and hungry, we wandered down to the plaza and settled ourselves into a corner seat by the window at one of Lake Anne's special restaurants. As the sun set we ordered the seafood soup and looked out onto the plaza and the lake and watched the snow fall gently—magical...

Every day I marvel at the magic, waking up to a different Lake Anne each morning with the changes of the seasons and years. I greet Bob Simon, in his 100th year, walking on the path in front of our house. I watch the great blue heron as it flies down the lake in the morning to hunt for its breakfast in the shallows. I view a variety of water birds—cormorants, kingfish-

ers, green herons, swifts, mallards, grebes and Canadian geese. I cherish the visits of our grandson as he spends hours looking for frogs, salamanders, crayfish, insects, myriads of fish and turtles (he never tires of the lake). I boat on a serene lake in the early morning or at dusk. I walk our happy, prancing Scottie around the 1 1/2 miles of water. And I practice my amateur painting skills, soothed by the calming sound of the nearby fountain in the lake.

Then there is Lake Anne's small community feel with wonderful events—concerts, outdoor movies, festivals, wine tastings—and the hugely popular and exciting Saturday mornings with the farmers and crafts markets. We also have restaurants, coffee houses, a used book store, a pharmacy, a contract post office, a museum, a community center, etc. If you don't know Lake Anne, you don't know Reston. Its sparkling lake reflects a special community as envisioned in the original plan for Reston.



Lake Anne, fall 2012.



Bronze Bob in snow.



Lake Anne aerial view.

Ice on the lake, viewed from the balcony.



Fall reflections.

# PARKS

## AN INSIDER'S GUIDE TO MAJOR PARKS IN FAIRFAX COUNTY

### National Parks

#### GF Great Falls National Park

9200 Old Dominion Drive, McLean  
www.nps.gov/grfa

Great Falls Park is open daily from 7 a.m. until dark. The Visitor Center and bookstore are open from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily, spring through fall seasons. Picnic, hike along the Potomac River. Swimming and wading in the Potomac are prohibited.

#### GW George Washington Memorial Parkway

www.nps.gov/gwmp  
703-289-2500

The GW Parkway includes more than 25 sites, ranging from historic homes to wildlife preserves. Join a ranger for a free program or explore sites independently. Some park sites, including Turkey Run Park, Theodore Roosevelt Island, Great Falls Park, etc., close at dark. The Parkway itself remains open 24 hours a day to vehicle traffic.

#### WT Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts

1551 Trap Road, Vienna  
www.nps.gov/wotr/

The only national park dedicated to presenting the performing arts. From May through September, multiple amphitheaters in the park present musicals, dance, opera, jazz, and popular and country music. Explore the park without the crowds from October–April. The Barns at Wolf Trap offer indoor entertainment through the winter months.

### State Park

#### MN Mason Neck State Park

7301 High Point Rd. Lorton  
www.dcr.virginia.gov/state\_parks/mas.shtml#703-339-2385 or 703-339-2380 (visitor center)  
masonneck@dcr.virginia.gov

The park's visitor center was expanded in 2010 to include a new exhibit room, gift shop and meeting room. There are several exhibits in the center, and with a view of Belmont Bay. Visitor center staff can answer questions and provide information on park trails, facilities and local points of interest. Pond study, bird watching, canoe trips, nature walks and talks, and GPS adventures are just a few of the exciting programs offered by park rangers.

### Regional Parks

#### BR Bull Run Marina Regional Park

7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville  
www.nvrpa.org/park/bull\_run/  
Main park open all year for picnicking, hiking and family camping. Bull Run Public Shooting Center open all year. Group Camping open daily Jan. 7 through Nov. 11. Mini and disc golf open April through October. Hours vary.

#### BR Atlantis Waterpark

(at Bull Run Marina Regional Park)  
7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville  
www.atlantisbullrun.com/  
703-631-0552

Atlantis Waterpark features pools, a giant dumping bucket, waterslides, and fun-filled activities for all ages. Atlantis is open from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, and is a member of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority Family of Waterparks. Aantis also features picnic pavilions, a deck great for sunning and playing, as well as plenty of shade. Neptune Reef snack bar sells food, beverages and sweets.

#### FH Fountainhead Regional Park

7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station



www.nvrpa.org/park/fountainhead/  
703-250-9124

The observation deck of the Marina Building at Fountainhead commands a spectacular view of the widest point of the Occoquan Reservoir. Summer activities include catfish tournaments, children's fishing tournament, paddleboat tours and more.

#### HO Hemlock Overlook Regional Park

13220 Yates Ford Road, Clifton  
www.nvrpa.org/park/hemlock\_overlook/  
800-877-0954; 571-281-3556;  
Hemlock Overlook Regional Park offers a variety of outdoor and

environmental education. Programs at Hemlock Overlook are open to the public and groups by reservation. Only the hiking and horse trails may be used without prior arrangement.

#### MBG Meadowlark Botanical Gardens

9750 Meadowlark Gardens Court, Vienna  
www.nvrpa.org/park/meadowlark\_botanical\_gardens/  
703-255-3631  
This 95-acre complex of large ornamental display gardens and unique native plant collections is open year round and include walking trails, lakes, more than 20 varieties of cherry trees, irises, peonies, an extensive shade garden, native wildflowers, gazebos, birds, butterflies, seasonal blooms and foliage. The Atrium's indoor tropical garden setting is a popular meeting, reception, wedding and workshop location. Interpretive displays accompany a

**Sources:** National Park Service, Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, Virginia State Parks and Fairfax County Park Authority. Map courtesy of Fairfax County Park Authority. Designed & compiled by Jean Card and Laurence Foong. Photos by Craig Sterbutzel.



restored 18th-century cabin. A picnic area beside the Gardens is available to visitors. Meadowlark presents gardening and horticulture workshops, tours, field trips, concerts and volunteer programs.

#### OR Occoquan Regional Park

9751 Ox Road, Lorton  
www.nvrpa.org/park/occoquan/  
703-690-2121 This park offers 400 acres of recreational space and a touch of the past with its historic brick kilns and the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial. Park lands, trails and associated waters are part of the Fairfax Cross-County Trail. Kayak rentals. One hour Tour Boat Rides on the Occoquan River to Belmont Bay and back. Offered Saturdays noon-5 p.m., Sunday 1-8 p.m., April 2 through Nov. 27. \$10 adults, \$5 children 12 and under, under age 4 are free.

#### PB Pohick Bay Regional Park

6501 Pohick Bay Drive, Lorton  
www.nvrpa.org/park/pohick\_bay/  
Pohick Bay is located on the Potomac River 25 miles south of the nation's capital. The boat launch facility is one of only three public access points to the Potomac River in northern Virginia. Pohick Bay offers canoes, kayaks, paddle boats and jon boats for rent on the weekends, as well as family and group camping, hiking, picnic areas and a large play area for children. For those interested in swimming, the park offers one of the largest, outdoor freeform pools on the east coast. Pohick Bay Regional Park, located on

Mason Neck Penninsula is an ecologically fragile land that shelters an abundance of wildlife, including the bald eagle. Nature lovers can expect to see blue birds, osprey, heron, deer, beavers and rare sightings of river otters.

**PB Pirates Cove Waterpark**

(at Pohick Bay Regional Park)  
6501 Pohick Bay Drive, Lorton  
www.piratescovepohick.com  
703-339-6102  
Pirates Cove Waterpark is located at Pohick Bay Regional Park. Visitors can cool off under the 300-gallon dumping bucket, fire the water cannons and splash down the waterslide or search for buried treasure at Buccaneer Beach sand play area. Pirates Cove also features picnic pavilions, a deck for sunning and playing, as well as plenty of shade. Captain's Galley snack bar features food, beverages and sweets. Pirates Cove is open from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

**PB Pohick Bay Golf Course**

10301 Gunston Road, Lorton  
www.nvrpa.org/park/pohick\_bay\_golf\_course  
703-339-8585  
This scenic golf course is located on the Mason Neck Peninsula in Lorton. Pohick Bay's practice facility features a driving range with practice putting and chipping greens, and lessons from PGA pros. A full-service pro shop features an array of name-brand golf clubs, equipment and apparel. Other services include club making, custom club fitting, regripping, reshafting and tournament coordinating.

**SR Sandy Run Regional Park**

10450 Van Thompson Road, Fairfax Station  
www.nvrpa.org/park/sandy\_run/  
703-690-4392  
The park is open to the public for the purpose of education, training, practice, and racing for competitive and recreational sculling and rowing. Only shells and other boats authorized by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority may be launched from the docks or shoreline of Sandy Run. Sandy Run offers a facility for team training and competition for Olympic, college, high school and club canoe, kayak and crew athletes.

Arts Center

**LAC Workhouse Arts Center**

9601 Ox Road, Lorton  
www.lortonarts.org  
703-584-2900  
The Workhouse Arts Center consists of seven studio buildings, the main galleries and the recently opened Youth Arts Center. Visitors are encouraged to interact with artists. In addition to visual arts, the Workhouse Arts Center is home to performing arts, including theater, film institute, musical and dance performances. The education department supports both the visual and performing arts, offering classes and workshops in a variety of disciplines. Future plans for the Workhouse include an event center, amphitheater, Workhouse Theatre, restaurants, apartments, music barn and garden/horticultural area. Other buildings on site, yet to be renovated, may provide for other activities such as a visitors center, a blacksmith shop, theatre scene shops and rehearsal space.



Frying Pan Farm Park, Herndon



The Claude Moore Colonial Farm at Turkey Run, McLean

Major Fairfax County Parks

**BLP Burke Lake Park & Golf Course**

7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station  
volleyball, driving range, 18 hole, par 3, minigolf, trails, playground, campgrounds, fishing  
883.4 acres, multiple resource park

**CJP Clemyjontri Park**

6317 Georgetown Pike, McLean  
fitness, picnic areas and playgrounds  
18.6 acres, special purpose park

**ELP Ellanor C. Lawrence Park**

5040 Walney Road, Chantilly  
baseball, soccer/football (unlit), basketball (unlit), community center, nature center, amphitheater, trails  
650 acres, multiple resource park

**FPF Frying Pan Farm Park**

2717 West Ox Road, Herndon  
historic structure, biking/equestrian/hiking trails, open areas, playground  
135.3 acres, multiple resource park

**GSG Green Spring Gardens**

4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria  
Community Center, historic structure, biking/hiking trails, open areas, gardens  
30.9 acres, special purpose park

**HPP Hidden Pond Park**

8511 Greeley Boulevard, Springfield  
tennis (lit), nature center, amphitheater, hiking/nature trails, playground, fishing  
25.6 acres, community park

**HMP Huntley Meadows Park**

3701 Lockheed Boulevard, Alexandria  
nature center, historic structure, biking/hiking/nature trails, observation tower, boardwalk  
1444.8 acres, natural resource park



W&OD Trail, Herndon

**LAP Lake Accotink Park**

7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield  
basketball, volleyball, minigolf, trails, picnic  
448.1 acres, multiple resource park

**LFP Lake Fairfax Park**

1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston  
softball (lit), soccer/football (unlit), amphitheater, carousel, campground, tour boat, picnic shelters  
479 acres, multiple resource park

**FRA Lee District Park**

6601 Telegraph Road, Franconia  
softball, soccer/football, tennis, basketball, volleyball, trails, treehouse, sprayground, accessible playground  
138 acres, district park

**MDP Mason District Park**

6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale  
softball (lit), soccer/football (unlit/lit), basketball (lit), tennis (lit), shuffleboard, dog park, amphitheater, biking/hiking/fitness  
121.2 acres, district park

**NWP Nottoway Park**

9537 Courthouse Road, Vienna  
baseball (lit), soccer/football (lit), basketball (lit), tennis (lit), trails, picnic  
90.9 acres, district park

**RBP Riverbend Park**

8700 Potomac Hill Street, Great Falls  
nature center, historic structure, biking/equestrian/hiking trails, picnic areas, craft room  
411.2 acres, multiple resource park

**SRN Scotts Run Nature Preserve**

7400 Georgetown Pike, McLean  
historic structure, historic/hiking/nature trails, fishing  
384.3 acres, natural resource park

**SRD South Run District**

7550 Reservation Drive, Springfield  
baseball, soccer/football, basketball, tennis, recenter, equestrian, playground, swimming  
196 acres, district park

**WFP Wakefield Park & RECenter**

8100 Braddock Road, Annandale  
softball, soccer/football, basketball, tennis, recenter, biking, fitness trail, skate park  
292.6 acres, multiple resource park

# PARKS

## A GUIDE TO FAIRFAX COUNTY PARKS IN THE GREAT FALLS, RESTON & HERNDON AREAS

### Map Number Park Name

Address, City  
Property Class

#### 1 Hutchison ES

13209 Parcher Ave., Herndon  
Community Park

#### 2 Coppermine Crossing SS

2744 Cooper Creek Rd, Herndon  
School Site

#### 3 Arrowbrooke

2351 Field Point Road, Herndon  
Community Park

#### 4 Dulles Corner

2446 Dulles View Drive, Herndon  
Community Park

#### 5 Franklin Farm

13590 Franklin Farm Road, Herndon  
Community Park

#### 6 Reston Town Green

Cameron Glen Dr, Reston  
Neighborhood Park

#### 7 Shaker Woods

1225 Stuart Road, Reston  
Community Park

#### 8 Hickory Run SS

Sheshue St, Great Falls  
School Site

#### 15 Chandon

900 Palmer Drive, Herndon  
Community Park

#### 16 Fred Crabtree

2801 Fox Mill Road, Herndon  
District Park

#### 17 Franklin Oaks

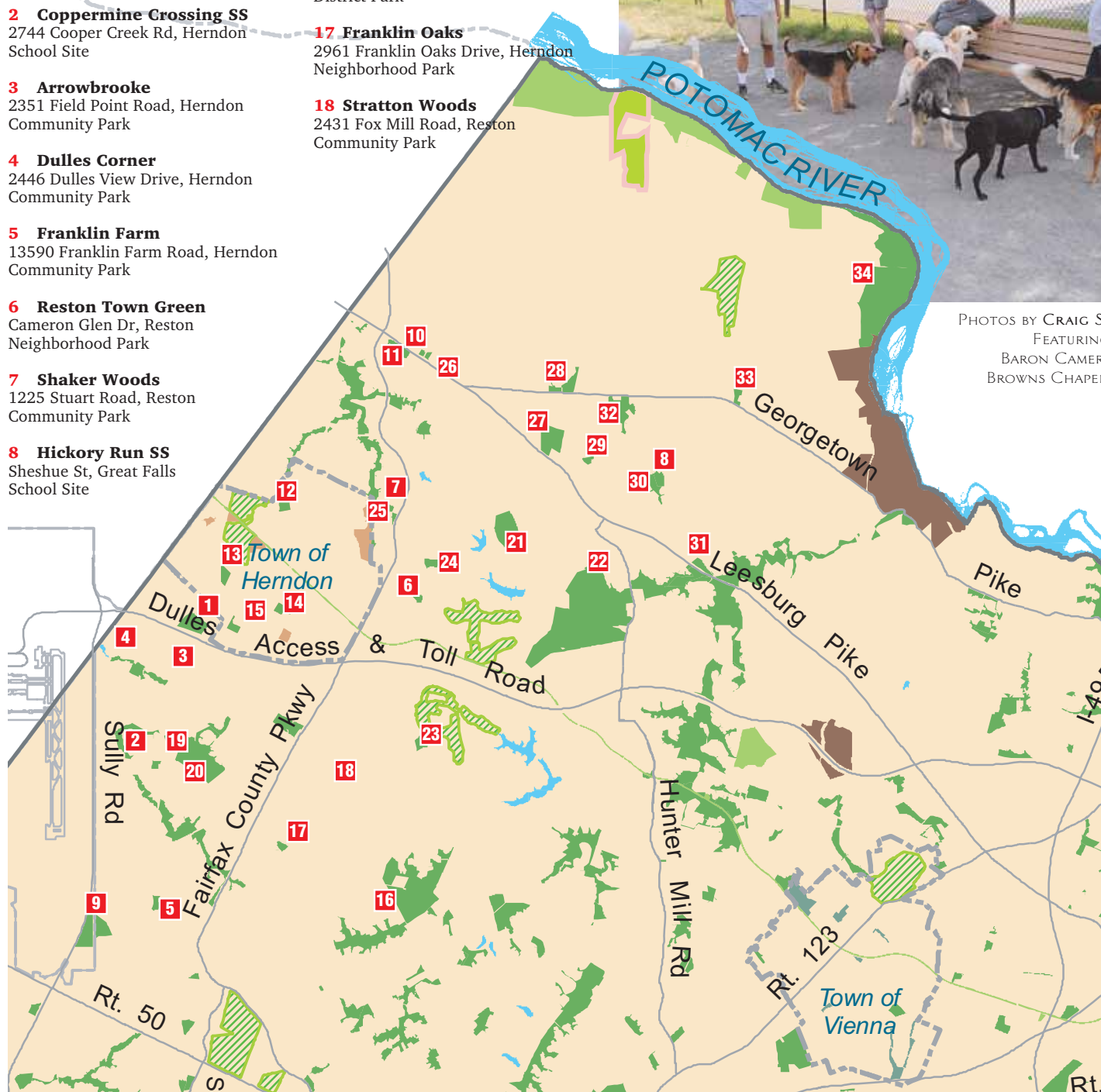
2961 Franklin Oaks Drive, Herndon  
Neighborhood Park

#### 18 Stratton Woods

2431 Fox Mill Road, Reston  
Community Park



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FEATURING  
BARON CAMERON &  
BROWNS CHAPEL PARKS



## Hunter Mill District Parks

My favorite park in the Hunter Mill District? That's a hard question since our District is blessed with over 40 unique and beautiful sites. It's hard to equal the elegance of Meadowlark Gardens, or the quiet introspection you can find walking or biking on the W&OD Trail or the many stream valley parks. I love how Frying Pan Farm Park showcases our rural and agricultural heritage and reminds me of my childhood. Lake Fairfax Park teems with activity and has something for everyone from the camping, mountain biking, hiking trails and lake activities for the nature lovers, along with the new skatepark, first-class athletic fields, picnic areas and the Water Mine for everyone in the family to enjoy. And, Waters Field in Vienna is THE best place to enjoy a baseball game.

— CATHY HUDGINS  
HUNTER MILL DISTRICT SUPERVISOR



#### 9 Sully Historic

3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly  
Cultural Resource Park

#### 10 Dranesville Tavern

11919 Leesburg Pike, Herndon  
Cultural Resource Park

#### 11 Grand Hamptons

1081 Safa Street, Herndon  
Neighborhood Park

#### 12 Stanton

910 Third Street, Herndon  
Community Park

#### 13 Alabama Drive

1100 Alabama Drive, Herndon  
Community Park

#### 14 Bruin

415 Van Buren Street, Herndon  
Community Park

#### 19 Floris School Site

2621 Centreville Road, Herndon  
Community Park

#### 20 Frying Pan Farm

2717 West Ox Road, Herndon  
Multiple Resource Park

#### 21 Baron Cameron

11300 Baron Cameron Avenue, Reston  
District Park

#### 22 Lake Fairfax

1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston  
Multiple Resource Park

#### 23 South Lakes Drive

11851 South Lakes Drive, Reston  
Community Park

#### 24 Reston North

1635 Reston Parkway, Reston  
Community Park

#### 25 Stuart Road

12001 Lake Newport Road, Reston  
Community Park

#### 26 Holly Knolls

1010 Redberry Court, Great Falls  
Neighborhood Park

#### 27 Great Falls Nike

1089 Utterback Store Road, Great Falls  
District Park

#### 28 Windermere

11000 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls  
Community Park

#### 29 Lockmeade

1104 Riva Ridge Drive, Great Falls  
Community Park

#### 30 Lexington Estates

10401 Sheshue Street, Great Falls  
Neighborhood Park

#### 31 Colvin Run Mill Site

10017 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls  
Cultural Resource Park

#### 32 The Turner Farm

925 Springvale Road, Great Falls  
Community Park

#### 33 Great Falls Grange

9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls  
Community Park

#### 34 Riverbend

8700 Potomac Hill Street, Great Falls  
Multiple Resource Park



# PARKS

A GUIDE TO FAIRFAX COUNTY PARKS  
IN THE VIENNA & MCLEAN AREAS



**Map Number Park Name**  
Address, City  
Property Class

**1 Tollbrook Ridge**  
720 Boyle Lane, McLean  
Neighborhood Park

**2 Oakton Community**  
2841 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton  
Community Park

**3 Waples Mill Meadow**  
11329 Waples Mill Road, Oakton  
Multiple Resource Park

**4 Heritage Resource**  
Westwood Ct, Vienna

**5 Dunn Loring**  
2540 Gallows Road, Vienna  
Community Park

**6 Holly Knolls**  
1010 Redberry Court, Great Falls  
Neighborhood Park

**7 Great Falls Nike**  
1089 Utterback Store Road, Great Falls  
District Park

**8 Windermere**  
11000 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls  
Community Park

**9 Lockmeade**  
1104 Riva Ridge Drive, Great Falls  
Community Park

**10 Lexington Estates**  
10401 Shesue Street, Great Falls  
Neighborhood Park

**11 Colvin Run Mill Site**  
10017 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls  
Cultural Resource Park

**12 The Turner Farm**  
925 Springvale Road, Great Falls  
Community Park

**13 Great Falls Grange**  
9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls  
Community Park

**14 Riverbend**  
8700 Potomac Hill Street, Great Falls  
Multiple Resource Park

**15 Jefferson District**  
7900 Lee Highway, Falls Church  
Multiple Resource Park

**16 Pine Spring**  
7600 Willow Lane, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park

## Nottoway Park, Vienna

The Providence District is home to a number of family friendly parks and recreational facilities to serve the varied interests of residents and visitors. One of these is the popular 80-acre Nottoway Park located in the Vienna area. The park offers walking and running trails, including a wooded nature path, picnic tables, diamond and rectangle athletic fields, and basketball, tennis and volleyball courts. The restored historic Hunter House mansion can be rented for special occasions and community garden plots are available. Special events at the park include the summer Nottoway Nights Concert series, a community flea market, Deutche Marque Concours car show, and the popular Easter egg hunt, among others.

— KEN QUINCY  
PROVIDENCE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE  
TO THE PARK AUTHORITY BOARD





- 17 Tyler**  
7216 Rice Street, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 18 Devonshire**  
2826 Edgehill Ave, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 19 Jefferson Village**  
2932 East Tripps Run Rd., Falls Church  
Community Park
- 20 John Mastenbrook-Greenway  
Downs**  
2858 Woodlawn Avenue, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 21 James Lee School Site**  
2855 Annandale Road, Falls Church  
Community Park
- 22 Azalea**  
2905 Cleave Drive, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 23 Westgate**  
7508 Magarity Road, Falls Church  
Community Park
- 24 Pimmit View**  
1905 Storm Drive, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 25 Olney**  
1840 Olney Road, Falls Church  
Community Park
- 26 Fisher**  
7620 Fisher Drive, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 27 Tysons Pimmit**  
2026 Burfoot Street, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 28 Pimmit Hills**  
2061 Arch Drive, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park

- 29 Griffith**  
2013 Griffith Road, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 30 Mt Royal**  
7141 Idylwood Road, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 31 Haycock Longfellow**  
6650 Kirby Court, Falls Church  
Community Park
- 32 Lisle**  
7744 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 33 Lemon Road**  
7210 Idylwood Road, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 34 Idylwood**  
7715 Virginia Lane, Falls Church  
Community Park
- 35 Hollywood Road**  
2700 Hollywood Road, Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 36 Lee Landing**  
2780 Hollywood Rd., Falls Church  
Neighborhood Park
- 37 Langley Fork**  
6250 Georgetown Pike, McLean  
District Park
- 38 Langley Oaks**  
6504 Bright Mountain Road, McLean  
Natural Resource Park
- 39 Cooper Intermediate School  
Site**  
977 Balls Hill Road, McLean  
Community Park
- 40 Churchill Road**  
7098 Thrasher Place, McLean  
Community Park

- 41 Clemyjontri**  
6317 Georgetown Pike, McLean  
Special Purpose Park
- 42 Dolley Madison Estates**  
6139 Long Meadow Road, McLean  
Neighborhood Park
- 43 McLean Central**  
1468 Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean  
Community Park
- 44 Potomac Hills**  
6125 Kinyon Place, McLean  
Community Park
- 45 Marie Butler Leven Preserve**  
1501 Kirby Road, McLean  
Special Purpose Park
- 46 McLean Knolls**  
1400 Balls Hill Road, McLean  
Neighborhood Park
- 47 Linway Terrace**  
6246 Linway Terrace, McLean  
Community Park
- 48 McLean High**  
1609 Davidson Rd, McLean  
Community Park
- 49 Lewinsville**  
1659 Chain Bridge Road, McLean  
District Park
- 50 Chesterbrook School Site**  
1753 Kirby Road, McLean  
Community Park
- 51 Kent Gardens**  
6621 Byrnes Drive, McLean  
Community Park
- 52 Franklin Woods**  
1938 Birch Road, McLean  
Neighborhood Park
- 53 Kirby**  
2020 Kirby Road, McLean  
Neighborhood Park
- 54 Bryn Mawr**  
6700 Tennyson Drive, McLean  
Neighborhood Park
- 55 Old Dominion School Site**  
8211 Hunting Hill Lane, McLean  
Community Park
- 56 Greenway Heights**  
8203 Riding Ridge Place, McLean  
Community Park
- 57 Scotts Run Nature Preserve**  
7400 Georgetown Pike, McLean  
Natural Resource Park
- 58 Spring Hill**  
1239 Spring Hill Road, McLean  
District Park
- 59 McLean Hunt**  
8003 Old Falls Road, McLean  
Neighborhood Park
- 60 Timberly**  
1173 Swinks Mill Road, McLean  
Community Park
- 61 McLean Hamlet**  
8119 Dunsinane Court, McLean  
Community Park
- 62 Falstaff**  
7717 Falstaff Road, McLean  
Neighborhood Park
- 63 Foxvale**  
3104 Hunt Road, Oakton  
Community Park
- 64 Gabrielson Gardens**  
2514 Leeds Drive, Oakton  
Special Purpose Park



- 65 Clarke's Landing**  
11100 Vale Road, Oakton  
Community Park
- 66 Oakborough Square**  
2890 Oakborough Square, Oakton  
Neighborhood Park
- 67 Tattersall**  
3405 Miller Heights Road, Oakton  
Community Park
- 68 Wayland Street**  
11813a Wayland Steet, Oakton  
Community Park
- 69 Oak Marr**  
3200 Jermantown Road, Oakton  
Multiple Resource Park
- 70 Borge Street**  
3030 Borge Street, Oakton  
Neighborhood Park
- 71 Blake Lane School Site**  
10033 Blake Lane, Oakton  
Community Park
- 72 Peterson Lane**  
575 Malcolm Road NW, Vienna  
Neighborhood Park
- 73 Cunningham**  
1001 Park Street, SE, Vienna  
Community Park
- 74 Lawyers Road School Site**  
10049 Lawyers Road, Vienna  
Neighborhood Park
- 75 Fox Hunters**  
10319 Lawyers Road, Vienna  
Neighborhood Park
- 76 Kemper**  
10206 Garrett Street, Vienna  
Community Park
- 77 Ashlawn**  
10230 Dunfries Road, Vienna  
Community Park
- 78 Nottoway**  
9537 Courthouse Road, Vienna  
District Park

- 79 Tamarack**  
1850 Horseback Trail, Vienna  
Community Park
- 80 Symphony Hills**  
9675 Clarks Crossing Road, Vienna  
Neighborhood Park
- 81 Clarks Crossing**  
9850 Clarks Crossing Road, Vienna  
District Park
- 82 Wolf Trails**  
9328 Old Courthouse Road, Vienna  
Community Park
- 83 Foxstone**  
1910 Creek Crossing Road, Vienna  
Community Park
- 84 Raglan Road**  
8590 Raglan Road, Vienna  
Community Park
- 85 Freedom Hill**  
8531 Old Courthouse Road, Vienna  
Cultural Resource Park
- 86 Eudora**  
2027 Labrador Lane, Vienna  
Community Park
- 87 Waverly**  
1801 Abbotsford Drive, Vienna  
Community Park
- 88 Lahey Lost Valley**  
9750 Brookmeadow Drive, Vienna  
Cultural Resource Park
- 89 Tysons Woods**  
8425 Overlook Street, Vienna  
Neighborhood Park
- 90 Briarcliff**  
2158 Silentree Road, Vienna  
Neighborhood Park
- 91 Ashgrove**  
8881 Ashgrove House Lane, Vienna  
Cultural Resource Park

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FEATURING CLEMYJONTRI PARK



## Cornerstones (formerly Reston Interfaith)

Reston Interfaith helps those that are homeless and struggling in Northern Virginia to build more stable lives by connecting them to vital resources that meet their needs for housing, child care, food or financial assistance. Programs and services include the Embry Rucker Community Shelter, Emergency Food Pantry, Hypothermia Prevention Program and the Thanksgiving Food Drive. 571-323-9555 or [www.cornerstonesva.org/](http://www.cornerstonesva.org/).

## Reston Environmental Action (REACT)

Is a non-profit organization of residents working within their neighborhood or building to increase green habits. Everyone one is welcome to attend the REACT annual meeting, with guest speaker Erin Trager discussing offshore wind power in Virginia, on Wednesday, October 2nd at Walker Center Nature House at 7:30 p.m. To encourage recycling, eco-friendly yard and garden care, greener transportation or energy conservation, email [info@restonenvironmentalaction.org](mailto:info@restonenvironmentalaction.org) or call 703-620-0151.

## Sweet Virginia Foundation, Inc.

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The Martin Luther King, Jr. Cultural Foundation, Inc. is established to promote multi-cultural activities and serve as a mechanism through which concerned individuals can support enhanced social, educational, health and wellness services within the community; currently seeking donations. [www.mlkcultralfoundation.org](http://www.mlkcultralfoundation.org).

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## From Weak to Week



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Eight days and seven nights. Not exactly the vacation I was planning. Nevertheless, admitted to the hospital on Friday, August 2nd. Discharged on Friday, August 9th: that was my hospital "staycation." Though I definitely improved as the post-surgical week went on, the process itself – specifically, nearly four days in S.I.C.U. (Surgical Intensive Care) with round-the-clock monitoring, nursing and doctoring – was hardly restful. In fact, if you read the following prose, you'll presumably develop an understanding of the cons.

Sleep in the S.I.C.U. is not next to impossible, it is impossible. Though the room is private (there are no other patients sharing your space), the overall environment is public; as the nurse told me, they need to be able to see their patients at all times, just in case something bad (you'll note I didn't say unexpected) happens. In addition, the various overhead lighting remaining lit is hardly conducive to sleep, but it's very conducive to staff responsibilities, which ultimately is the point, I suppose.

Let me attempt to describe for you the difficulties and demands – and discomfort – I experienced during my post-op. treatment, designed no doubt to stabilize my vitals and return me to good health, whatever the cost or inconvenience. For certain it was all about me and all about getting me better – and presumably getting me healthy enough to be transferred to a non-intensive care floor and eventually being discharged from the hospital.

On my right arm, I had an I.V. inserted (connected to an I.V. pump) through which I received clear liquids and miscellaneous other medicines as their respective delivery systems mandated. On my right index finger a plastic clip was taped in place – also connected to a monitor, which measured my oxygen levels. Stuck on my chest were eight electrodes connected by wire to a heart-monitoring device – the size of a cell phone approximately – stuck in my hospital gown's lone chest pocket; the device itself was likewise connected, by wire, to a monitor adjacent to my hospital bed. Each calf, since I was bed-bound, was wrapped in Velcro, individually connected by wire to a pump hanging off the front of my bed. Every 30 seconds or so – alternating between each calf – the pump "pressured" air into the wraps, and wires inside inflated to stimulate the respective calves, the point of which is to prevent blood clots/pulmonary thrombosis. Not last, and certainly not least, between my legs, I was connected to a catheter (a "foley" as it was called), a necessary evil if ever there was one, itself connected by tube to a repository hanging off the side of my bed.

On my left arm, I was 24/7 connected and wrapped by a blood pressure cup. Every hour on the hour (I checked) I was "pressured" with my readings automatically transmitted to the nurse's station (one time I unwrapped the cuff and the nurse immediately came by to chastise me for doing so). On my face (in my nose, actually), with cords wrapped around my ears to secure its position, I wore a "nasal cannula," a plastic tube placed into my nostrils, which provided "high-flow" oxygen constantly. This cannula was likewise connected by tube/hose to a pump adjacent to my bed, about three feet away, like all of these connections. Lastly, and probably mostly, a post-surgical chest tube, 28 centimeters long, had been inserted under my left arm penetrating to my left lung to drain any residual fluid/"infiltrate" from it. This tube was part of a longer tube, maybe four feet in length or so, which deposited fluid draining from that lung into a collection box placed on the floor which enabled the staff to assess its contents. To say this tube and or its placement was painful, awkward and impossible to ignore, especially when attempting to sleep, is to do injustice to the words "painful," "awkward" and "impossible."

In summary, I was connected by wire/tube/hose to nine devices/monitors. Yet I persevered. The process wasn't pretty or planned, but I got out alive and was much improved from when I was admitted. Sleep-deprived for sure, but no longer oxygen-deprived. Obviously, I'm glad to be home, still mindful of the challenges ahead, however.

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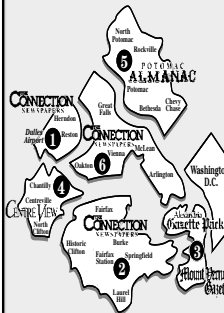
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