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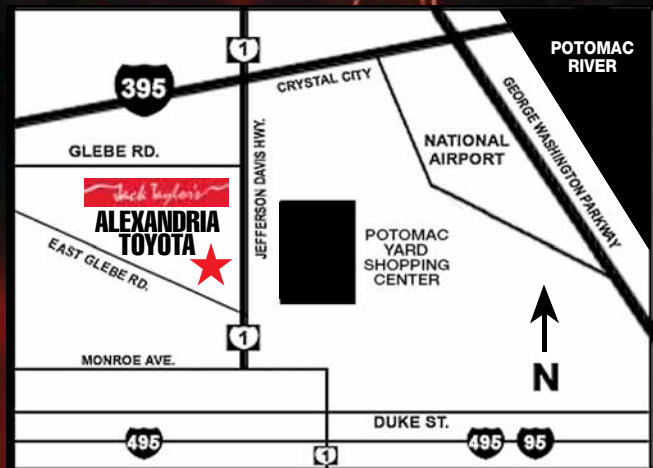
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A woman jogs past Van Dyck Park
alongside Old Lee Highway.

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Let's Go Places

City Council Greenlights Old Lee Highway Survey

Questions about project's scope still remain.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

The results are in and City of Fairfax residents have now given their opinions on how best to improve Old Lee Highway. So the Fairfax City Council has authorized a survey of the entire corridor to obtain more information before going further with the project.

Old Lee runs 1.5 miles from North Street to Fairfax Circle and is one of the City's main streets. Some 13,000 vehicles a day travel on it, including those en route to Daniels Run Elementary, St. Leo the Great Catholic School and Fairfax High.

This road is also the pathway to multitudes of homes, businesses and stores, as well as the police station, Sherwood Community Center and Van Dyke Park. Some sections have on-street parking, and there are even 21 local bus stops.

So to make it even better, the City applied for and received a grant for technical assistance to help determine how to do just that. It then sought the residents' input to find out how they want Old Lee Highway to look and function.

Although it's a conceptual plan, Fairfax's adopted FY 2016 Capital Program includes \$4 million to do the actual work the study will recommend. That amount represents \$2 million in FY 2016 revenue-sharing funds and \$2 million in 30-percent NVTA funds. Brian McMahon with Parsons Brinckerhoff, a transportation planning and design firm, is the City's consultant on this project.

AS THINGS STAND NOW, every few blocks of Old Lee have a different look and feel. So, without widening it, the City hopes to make it more cohesive. "The goals are to bring diverse users together, give precedence to bikers and pedestrians, and create an environment reflective of the City," said McMahon. "We also want to clearly delineate the edges [of the Old Lee Corridor] and have it exhibit special design features."

The study divided the street into three segments. Segment One is From North Street to the Sherwood Center; Segment Two, from the Sherwood Center to Ridge Avenue; and Segment Three, from Ridge Avenue to Old Pickett Road. Two alternatives were developed for each segment, plus a third alternative leaving things the way they are.

During the City Council's July 7 work session, McMahon revealed the results of a paper survey of residents taken at the second public meeting about this project, as well as their online comments. "We received



The Fairfax Circle Shopping Center is in a commercial area of Old Lee Highway.

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Cars driving Monday afternoon in a residential area of Old Lee Highway in front of Fairfax High.

137 responses total," he said. "And we used that information to develop the information I'm about to present."

❖ From North Street to the Sherwood Center, residents wanted a landscaped median with left-turn pockets, protected bike lanes with 3-foot-wide buffer strips separating them from the motor-vehicle lanes, plus a shared-use path.

❖ From the Sherwood Center to Ridge Avenue, they favored a protected bike lane and a shared-use path separating pedestrians from bicyclists. They also wanted on-street parking.

❖ From Ridge Avenue to Old Pickett Road, residents selected a landscaped median, protected bike lane and a shared-use path. And between Old Pickett Road and the bridge, they wanted Old Lee to stay four lanes.

In addition, McMahon told the Council members, "In all segments, people wanted the travel lanes reduced from 12 feet wide to 11 feet to calm traffic. You now have a good program to go forward with the design phase, should you choose to."

City Transportation Director Wendy Block Sanford added, "We recommend endorsement of these elements and a recommendation to proceed with an RFP [request for proposals] for the engineered design."

But City Councilman Jeff Greenfield said he was "struggling with the impact on the residents along Old Lee Highway."

"The intention is not to encroach on people's yards, but to work within the existing right-of-way," replied Sanford. "We recommend doing the preliminary engineering for the entire corridor. But we could do a conceptual design for 30 percent of it,

first, to get a better idea of how things would fit."

Since all segment-two residents facing Old Lee already have parking on their premises, Councilman David Meyer wondered why on-street parking's needed in that whole portion. But Sanford said it wouldn't be provided throughout all of it.

Referring to the residents' overall comments, Meyer said he was glad that one homeowners association recommended the speed limit be reduced from 30 to 25 mph. "University Drive almost parallels it, has similar elements and is 25," he said. "And if we're going to put an emphasis on walking and biking there, then I think we should reduce the speed limit for safety."

And, he added, "If we go forward with this, we're going to need to underground the utilities. I'd like staff to determine what it might cost and how we'd fund it."

MEANWHILE, Councilwoman Nancy Loftus said there wasn't enough focus on vehicular traffic, safety or speed. "This question wasn't included in the surveys, and it might be a great concern to people," she said. "Also, 11-foot-wide lanes are very narrow, with not an extra inch to maneuver – and I don't think people realized that."

McMahon said vehicular travel was taken into account, but "traffic volumes haven't grown. And the reduced lane widths were to slow traffic for vehicle, pedestrian and cyclist safety."

Still, said Loftus, figuring in the shared-use path for bicyclists and pedestrians, plus the dedicated bike lanes, vehicle travel lanes and landscaped median, "That's a lot of width. I don't think people realized there'd be a bike lane on both sides of the highway. Could we just do a nice, wide, protected bike lane on one side of the road?"

She didn't receive an answer, but Public Works Director David Summers said he favors "an overlay of the entire project, not just in segments. That way, people could see exactly what it would look like and how close [the road] would be to their yards. We could do a 15-percent design and then get public comment on it."

Sanford said they'd also look at each Old Lee intersection and their accident histories before designing each one. But McMahon said they'd need survey information from the preliminary-design work before they could do the overlay of the whole road.

Mayor Scott Silverthorne asked how much it would cost to proceed, and Summers said just surveying the whole corridor would be about \$100,000 and would produce an abbreviated, preliminary plan to bring back to the Council. Agreeing, Greenfield said, "I think it's important to get a survey of the boundaries so we have accurate information. Then we can bring it back to the community to see if it's what they really want."

The Council members then unanimously agreed that staff should go forward with the \$100,000 survey and, afterward, return to them with the results.



Giuka's garden in Alexandria.

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Aronia Berries

Backyard Vegetable Gardens Feed Multi-Cultural Cuisines

In Fairfax County, tomatoes are a staple of local gardens along with peppers, cucumbers, potatoes, beans and herbs like mint, oregano and cilantro.

BY MIKE SALMON
THE CONNECTION

There's nothing like a juicy red tomato fresh out of the backyard garden to brighten up a summertime salad or a sandwich. Or a bittermelon, aronia berries or "paradise apple," as persimmons are known in Bulgaria. The multi-cultural population in Fairfax County has grown roots in the backyard vegetable garden.

"In my country, the name is paradise apple," said Jiuka, an Alexandria resident from Bulgaria, as she held a small, green persimmon fruit on a tree in her yard. Jiuka's yard was full of cucumber plants, eggplant, green peppers, squash, tomato and okra, as well as aronia berries and drenka, another Bulgarian favorite. Planting her own fruits and vegetables "is very important, I came from a country where we had good agriculture," she said. She does all the gardening herself. "I learned from my mom," Jiuka said.

It's not just the "backyard" garden for Springfield resident Henry Nguyen, who lives in a corner lot that is full of vegetables, herbs and fruit, mostly of an Asian variety. His grandmother "does all the work when it comes to the garden," Nguyen said. There are Bartlett Pears growing on a few trees in the yard, with melons, red peppers and bittermelon, an Asian specialty that gives soup its flavor. Bittermelon has another unexpected use in the garden, said Nguyen. "We used to have deer, they took a bite of the bittermelon and never came back," he said.

Some of Nguyen's vegetables and herbs go to local Vietnamese restaurants too where they know the owners, he said, like the Golden Cow, Pho Factory and Bangkok Noodle, all in Annandale.

JIUKA AND NGUYEN are not alone in the



Early stages of a bittermelon.

backyard garden craze. In fact, there is a surge of gardeners growing their own food in the last few years, according to the National Gardening Association, based in Williston, Vt. In their report, "Garden to Table: A 5-Year Look at Food Gardening in America," Americans growing their own food in home or community gardens went from 36 million households in 2008 to 42 million in 2013, an increase of 17 percent. The NGA attributes the increase to federal agencies increasing awareness and educational efforts, and by First Lady Michelle Obama's "Let's Move," initiative that features food grown in the White House Kitchen Garden.

In Fairfax County, tomatoes are a staple of local gardens along with peppers, cucumbers, potatoes, beans, and herbs like mint, oregano and cilantro. Tomato gardening is what most of the questions the county Master Gardeners get, said Adria Bordas, a senior extension agent at the Virginia Cooperative Extension Master Gardener helpdesk.

The Fairfax County Master Gardeners

Association, Inc. (FCMGA) is a nonprofit organization of volunteers who provide research-based horticultural information, tips, techniques and advice to home gardeners in the community.

Bordas noted that one of the strong points about vegetable gardening in Fairfax County is that gardens "can be a four-season veggie garden if you work at it with frost protection," she said in an email.

In Jiuka's garden, she has the tomatoes and cucumbers, but also a wide variety of fruit she likes to eat because by growing her own, she knows what goes into them as far as pesticides and fertilizers. "I try to be organic," she said. Bordas noted this as a possible healthier aspect of homegrown vegetables too.

Although Jiuka doesn't have bittermelon to fend off unwanted guests that nibble on the fruits and vegetables like Nguyen, she constantly battles with the local animals over the garden, especially the okra. "I have one rabbit that likes these leaves," she said. She puts nets over her blackberry and raspberry plants, but it's a constant struggle. "I'm



Red card in Nguyen's garden wards off animals.

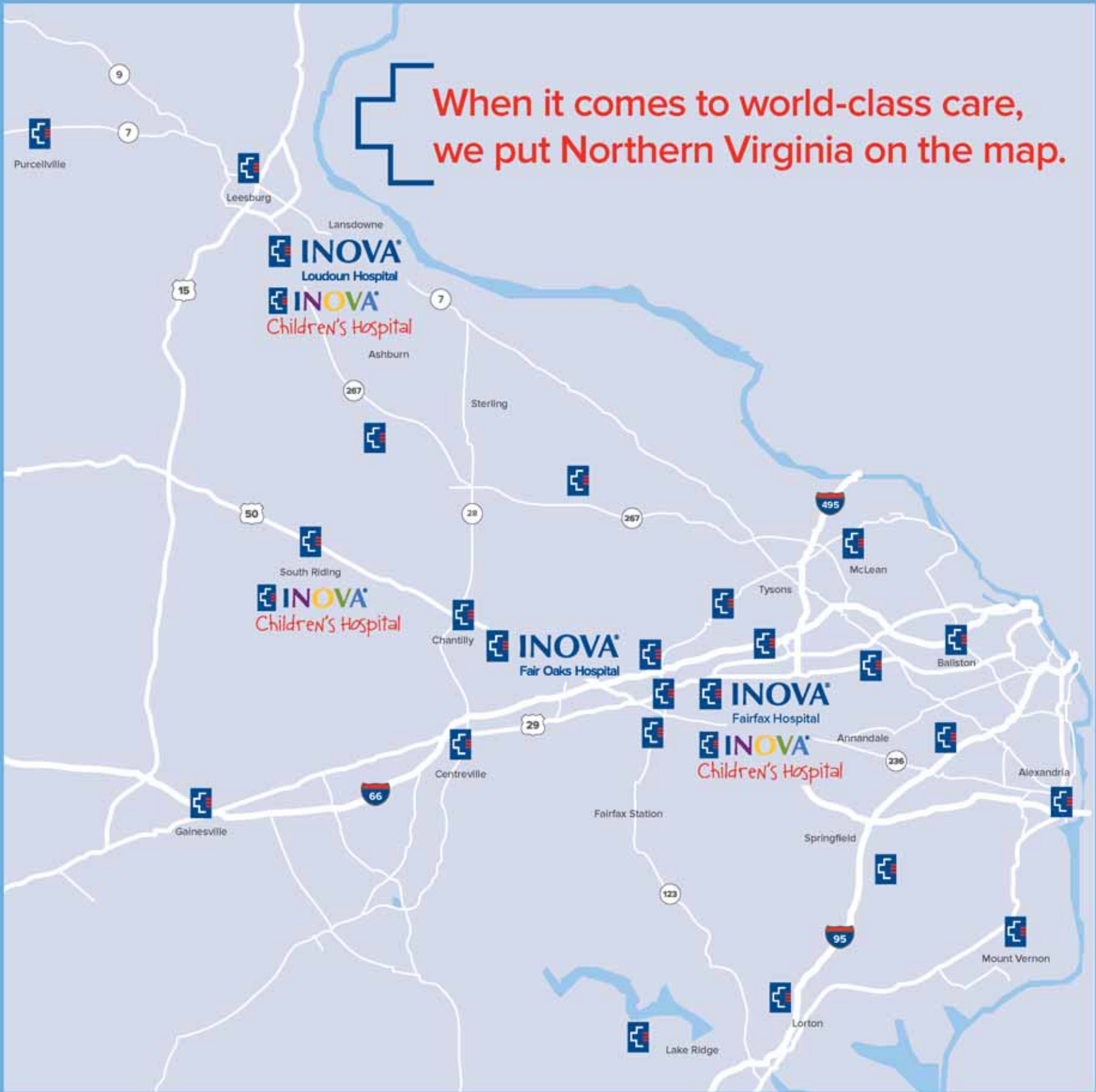
Highlights from Report

- NGA report "Garden to Table: A 5-Year Look at Food Gardening in America" states:
- ❖ 1 in 3 households are now growing food, highest levels seen in a decade
 - ❖ Americans spent \$3.5 billion on food gardening in 2013, up from \$2.5 billion in 2008
 - ❖ 76 percent of all households with a food garden grew vegetables, a 19 percent increase since 2008
 - ❖ Households with incomes under \$35,000 participating in food gardening grew to 11 million, up 38 percent since 2008

fighting with birds, they like it a lot," but admitted she's the imposter when it comes to the native birds and mammals.

BESIDES BEING FRESH AND ORGANIC, some of these exotic fruits and vegetables have health benefits that are not known to many in this area. Bittermelon, known as bitter gourd to some, has been known to be used for gout, cholera, eye problems and even hangovers. Aronia berries are used for urinary tract disorders, and another Bulgarian vegetable, drenka, helps digestion.

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OPINION

'Our Community Deserves Better'

Strongly worded recommendations for police on transparency and public trust; FCPD has miles to go.

Outrage over the shooting death of John Geer of Springfield on Aug. 29, 2013, by a Fairfax County Police officer led the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to form of the Ad Hoc Police Practice Review Commission, which began meeting in March 2015. The Communications Subcommittee was the first to give recommendations to the full commission, and the report pulled no punches.

"Communications in recent high-profile use-of-force and critical incident cases were mishandled, inadequate and untimely, leading to loss of public trust and questions about the legitimacy of police actions. ... Our community deserves better."

"The failures in both communications and its Freedom of Information Act policies have created this crisis of confidence for FCPD. ... There must be significant change coming from the leadership of the county and the Fairfax County Police Department. No longer can they just pay lip service to the idea of transparency. Real change is needed – now. ...

"It is well past time for the Fairfax County Police Department to start providing timely, honest and effective communications with everything it does. We deserve nothing less. ...

"Constant 'happy talk' breeds suspicion,

while being direct and clear about mistakes and failures as well as accomplishments results in increased credibility."

The Communications Committee, led by former Fairfax County Public Information Officer Merni Fitzgerald, calls for: a culture change to favor releasing as much information as possible; policy change to encourage transparency and accountability by establishing a culture of disclosure; adopting a predisposition-to-disclose, with public records presumed to be public and exemptions strictly and narrowly construed.

For example, the committee calls for: releasing the names of officers involved in any police shootings within one week; releasing video from body cameras, dashboard cameras and any other digital record of a police-involved shooting death immediately; a continuous process of information declassification for cases that are no longer active or are closed; releasing actual police reports, with redactions where necessary, rather than creating summary documents; providing unfettered access to blotter-type information to include a list of every incident and call with the basic who/what/when/where/how information.

The full report is eight pages, well-written and well worth reading.

CHANGE IN CULTURE is not coming automatically or easily to the Fairfax County Police Department. While the FCPD has released reams of information to the commission, that has not included much requested and needed information for the commission and its subcommittees to meet established scope of work.

For example, the Use of Force Subcommittee is tasked in its scope of work to "review (not investigate) recent use of force incidents

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(lethal and non-lethal) involving FCPD as well as review any existing data summarizing all FCPD use of force interactions, officer involved shootings resulting in death or injury, and in-custody deaths from 2005 to 2015."

In May, the committee asked what documents and reports would be available and when.

The following response was posted in June: "The Chief of Police will post a synopsis and other information regarding the department's officer involved shootings but will not be releasing any case reports, files or documents from the criminal or administrative case."

That response does not reflect a culture of transparency.

But what's worse is that on Aug. 10, just weeks before the subcommittee's final recommendations are due to the full commission, the committee still has not received the synopsis promised, or even a list of officer-involved shootings resulting in death or injury, and in-custody deaths from 2005 to 2015.

FCPD Chief of Police Edwin Roessler is scheduled to present the synopses to the committee on Aug. 12. All commission and subcommittee meetings are open to the public, see <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/policecommission/>

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COMMENTARY

Now Is Time To Unite for Education in Fairfax County

BY JIM CORCORAN
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FAIRFAX COUNTY
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Recently, the Fairfax County Federation of Teachers ran advertisements in the Connection newspapers questioning the dedication of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and the business community to the county's education system.

Nothing could be further from the truth.

The Fairfax Board of Supervisors has worked tirelessly to support Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS). In fact, approximately 70 percent of FCPS' budget is unfairly shouldered by the county, which comes directly from residential and commercial taxes. From FY 1996-2014, contributions from the county quadrupled that of student growth. And this past April, the

Board of Supervisors, in its FY2016 adopted budget, increased funding for FCPS for the fifth consecutive year, funding our schools at 99.8 percent of their advertised budget; bringing the total increase from FY2012 to FY2016 to \$240 million.

All the while, residents and businesses are being taxed by lawmakers in Richmond, with little return in education dollars coming directly from the state to show for it. The Fairfax Chamber has, for decades, supported the full funding of K-12 education throughout the entire Commonwealth. The Chamber believes that the future growth of the Northern Virginia economy, and consequently Virginia's economy, depends on a significant investment in K-12 education. The Chamber has been a leading voice in Richmond, working hand and hand with the county, to thwart any attempt to

cut the state's contributions to FCPS.

Our work on behalf of FCPS extends beyond advocacy. Since 2010, the Fairfax Chamber has partnered with FCPS to establish the Education Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization allied with, but independent of, the county's public school system. Every two years, the Fairfax Chamber spearheads the School Bond Referendum committee ensuring there are appropriate dollars for the county's education infrastructure to meet the needs of our growingly diverse community.

Additionally, the Fairfax Chamber has been recognized by the School Board for its years of dedicated partnership with Fairfax County Public Schools.

And we promise that will not stop. We will continue to advocate for the needs of our schools. However, the Fairfax County Federation

of Teachers is wrong to direct their frustration at the Board of Supervisors and the business community. The problem rests with Richmond. Historically, the Local Composite Index (LCI) places Fairfax County at a disadvantage by not taking into account important factors such as the differential between county and city taxing authority, the impact of cost of living on a locality's ability to pay staff, and the increased costs associated with providing services to growing limited English proficiency and special education populations. For years, the Board of Supervisors, FCPS, and the Fairfax Chamber have called upon the General Assembly to provide FCPS their fair share of state education dollars. Our schools, our children, and our economy depend on it.

We must come together and work united towards a common good.

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'We Want to Get Public Feedback'

City intends to rewrite its Comprehensive Plan.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
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The City of Fairfax's Comprehensive Plan is a blueprint for future development. It was created in 1988 and later updated and amended.

But as economic and other conditions change, a city has to be flexible enough to acknowledge those shifts and be open to both them and other changes. So its Comprehensive Plan has to be a dynamic document, capable of being rewritten as needed so it continues to stay relevant.

That way, it better suits the needs of the city's residents and also lets developers know what types of projects – residential, commercial, office or industrial – are allowed to be constructed within that jurisdiction and, specifically, where. And the idea of revising Fairfax's current Comprehensive Plan came up July 7 during a joint work session of the Fairfax City Council and the Planning Commission.

"I think this is probably the most important thing that this Council and Planning Commission – and the following ones – will face in the next three years," said Mayor Scott Silverthorne. Noting that it's been at least 10 years since the City took on this huge

task, he added, "The rewrite of the Comprehensive Plan is overdue."

Councilwoman Nancy Loftus then asked about the timing of the rewrite – when it would begin. "We'd like to start the Comprehensive Plan overhaul later this year, after we finish the zoning [ordinances] rewrite," replied City Planning Division Chief Cindy Petkac. "It'll take about 18 months."

Pleased, Planning Commission Chairman Paul Cunningham said the revision of Fairfax's zoning ordinances will help define the City's processes to deal with a variety of land-use and transportation issues that'll arise as time goes on.

"The Comprehensive Plan ought to be dynamic and malleable and have the opportunity to be adjusted for certain areas of the City," said Councilman David Meyer. He also recommended community involvement on issues including recreation, housing and the relationship of transportation to Fairfax's schools and neighborhoods.



David Meyer

"Our citizens have changing expectations for the City," continued Meyer. "They're now interested in having pedestrian-friendly neighborhoods, as well as more emphasis on bike transportation and aesthetics, such as improving our parks and trails and undergrounding utilities. So I believe we should incorporate these things into a new Comprehensive Plan."

Agreeing, Cunningham said, "Significant public input will be part of the process. We want to get good, public feedback and incorporate it into the Plan so we come up with a document that'll carry us through the next five to 10 years."



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Schools Budget Task Force to Consult Community on Possible Cuts

With Fairfax County Public Schools facing a projected Fiscal Year 2017 budget shortfall of \$100 million, the school superintendent Dr. Karen Garza established a task force to look at programs or services that may be eliminated in order to make up some of that deficit.

According to an update from the Aug. 7 online newsletter from Fairfax County, the 36-member task force has already met four times since June and discussed ideas for balancing the budget that came from a community online forum.

Among the four and a half pages of preliminary suggestions drawn from community input are eliminating athletics and varsity sports programs, downsizing the Advanced Academic Program, energy-saving measures such as shortening the period that athletic fields are lit, and not implementing the planned later school start times.

Though no decisions have been made, the newsletter announcement said more suggestions will

be posted online this month for community members to explore and offer feedback.

The school system also announced a pair of community meetings where more information on the budget process, task force work and the online feedback tool will be provided. Those meetings include:

-Wednesday, Sept. 9, at South Lakes High School from 7 to 9 p.m.

-Saturday, Sept. 12, at Mount Vernon High School from 10 a.m. to noon.

Final suggestions from the task force are scheduled to go to the superintendent in October and be shared with the school board in November. Garza will formally present her budget to the school board on Jan. 7, 2016.

For more information on the Task Force and Fiscal Year 2017 budget, visit www.fcps.edu/savefcps.

— TIM PETERSON

BULLETIN BOARD

THURSDAY/AUG. 13

Fairfax County Deer Management Archery Program Public Information Meeting. 7 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. The Fairfax County Deer Management Archery Program begins Sept. 12 and runs through Feb. 20, 2016. Under the oversight of the Fairfax County Police Department, in

collaboration with the Fairfax County Park Authority and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, the archery program is conducted in parks and other locations throughout Fairfax County.

Blood Drive. 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Rim Pacific Management, 12150 Monument Drive. The American Red Cross is facing a looming shortage of

the blood types most needed by patients and is calling on eligible donors with O negative, B negative and A negative blood to give now to prevent an emergency situation. Blood donation appointments can be quickly and easily scheduled by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App.

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Sun Design's Roger Lataille proposed a stacked stone hearth for a sitting area adjacent to the open kitchen. The textural vertical accent — evoking a cabin-like ambiance — creates an invitation to sit and interact that had previously been missing from a nondescript corner.



BEFORE: Wood panelling, wainscoting, and a sled ceiling with faux rafters were among the dated interior details that defined the home's previous interior.



Sun Design's "transitional"-style interior design solution concentrates on pleasing contrasts. The 3.6-foot-by-8-foot cook top island and three stool dining counter features a walnut-colored base topped with a granite surface. The dark-stained oak flooring is offset by ivory-hued paneling that wraps a two-door refrigerator, a roll-out pantry and drawers custom-designed to satisfy the cook's requirements.



BEFORE: The existing kitchen's dated Colonial accents included Dutch-style maple cabinet facings, a mosaic tile back splash and a vinyl counter surface.

Home's Makeover Enhances Family Life

With time constraints, Sun Design converts large, dated house into residence that satisfies everyone's agenda.

BY JOHN BYRD

Meet Roger Lataille, senior design consultant at Sun Design Remodeling and — more importantly — a remodeling resource homeowners turn to, and return to, whenever they need expert advice, hands-on support and commitment.

Case in point: in 2012, a north Arlington couple engaged Lataille to execute a top-to-bottom makeover to their 2,300-square-foot home. The goal was to implement functional improvements within a "transitional" interior design style that would work well for a growing family. Delivered on time and within budget, the owners dubbed the results "exceptional" in every detail.

Now, two years later, and with two daughters growing rapidly, the couple asked Lataille for ideas for an addition. As it turned out, the terrain around the property was too steep. While space enlargement discussions were still underway, however, the couple learned that elderly neighbors a few doors up the street were planning to sell their nearly 5,000-square-foot colonial.

This was a promising development for Lataille's space-cramped client, but far from a slam-dunk.

The neighbor's house had been built in the late 1960s and hadn't been upgraded in decades. Still, more living space was a tantalizing proposition, and the couple soon asked Lataille for an assessment on remodeling the house to the standard he had achieved in their current residence.

In short order, Lataille and the clients

walked through the house and — before any decision had been reached regarding a possible purchase — the designer developed preliminary sketches depicting several remodeling scenarios.

What was obvious to everyone from the start was that the existing house was seriously dated, even degraded in places — and that the desired upgrade would require considerable vision, budget-mindedness and team performance.

Adding to the drama: if the deal went through, the new owners wanted to put their current house on the market immediately, remodel the purchased property at once and move into their new residence as soon as possible.

There would be no interim period of rental properties or furniture in storage.

"Looking back, the qualitative difference between the interiors of the two houses was profound," Lataille said. "The house being considered for purchase was like something from a 1970s movie set. There was large-pattern floral wall paper, wainscot paneling in many rooms; the family room adjacent to the kitchen was covered by a sled ceiling with faux exposed timbers."

Moreover, the interior design style, Lataille elaborates, may have once been loosely described as rustic.

"But the look was plainly anachronistic in 2015," he added, "A far cry from the contemporary transitional style my clients wanted."

The kitchen, likewise, featured outmoded Colonial accents that including Dutch-style maple cabinet facings, a Delft mosaic tile



By dropping the sled roof to the standard eight feet, the designer introduces a scale more appropriate to the family room's size and purpose. French doors with sidelights now connect the space to a 17-foot-by-31-foot deck complete with hot tub and outdoor kitchen.



BEFORE: Lataille described the interior of the previous family room as "rustic" — something of anachronism in 2015.

back splash, and vinyl counter surfaces. There was even a 30-year-old microwave — "really a kind of museum piece," Lataille said — "embedded in the food prep island."

Downstairs, a spacious multi-function lower-level zoned as "game room," "playroom" and "work room" had become stale from lack of use.

There was a tired old kitchenette in a rear corner — which meant that fixtures needed for sinks and refrigerators were already in place. But much of the lower level was little more than a partly below-grade basement — hardly a place for upbeat family entertainment.

IN THE PLUS COLUMN: the house featured generously-sized rooms and segues, large windows accessing abundant natural light and an appreciably "open" first floor plan with sight lines in three directions.

"The kitchen-centric first level plan had considerable potential," Lataille said, "but it needed a more cohesive interior — one that would support a more intimate scale."

The first feature Lataille slated for deletion: the sled roof.

By uniformly dropping the ceiling to the standard 8 feet, the visual experience of anyone in the room now shifts to horizontal sight lines dominated by large windows and outside landscaping. The more sharply articulated indoor-outdoor continuum, in turn, adds focal points and intimacy — yet is more expansive.

To highlight perspective, Lataille proposed a stacked stone hearth for a sitting area adjacent to the open kitchen. The textural vertical accent — evoking a cozy cabin-like ambiance — creates an iconic invitation to sit and interact that had previously been missing from a nondescript corner.

With a panoramic view on one side and the open kitchen on the other, the redesigned niche is transformed into a cozy spot for sitting by the window with a book, or chatting with the cook as meals are prepared.

With the exception of moving interior walls a few inches, the kitchen footprint remains fundamentally

Details

Sun Design Remodeling frequently sponsors tours of recently remodeled homes as well as workshops on home remodeling topics. Headquartered in Burke, the firm has a second office in McLean. Call 703-425-5588 or visit www.SunDesignInc.com.

the same. Here, Lataille concentrated on introducing wholly new elevations — eliminating all vestiges of the Colonial-style finish work while developing a brightly luminous interior scheme composed of granite surfaces and ivory-hued cabinet facings.

The 3.6-foot-by-8-foot cook top island and three stool dining counter now features a dark walnut-colored base topped with a dappled granite surface. The dark-stained oak flooring, by extension, perfectly contrasts with the ivory-hued paneling that wraps a two-door refrigerator, a roll-out pantry and drawers custom-designed to satisfy the cook's requirements.

French doors with sidelights now connect the family room to a 17-foot-by-31-foot deck complete with hot tub and outdoor kitchen. The front stairs in the foyer have been re-finished; existing decorative capitals refurbished.

Downstairs, the once darkly cavernous lower-level has been elevated into an all-purpose family play area. Exposed vertical support beams are encased in dry wall, which, likewise, wraps HVAC vents. New wood-grained vinyl flooring, recessed lights and tawny/golden wall paint lend the space a light, cheerful ambiance.

The new play room features billiards, pinball and a card table where Dad hosts a weekly card game. The stacked stone tile fireplace situated in front of an L-shaped configuration of couches offers a perfect spot to watch a plasma screen TV mounted above the hearth.

The old kitchenette, transformed into the family's downstairs refreshment center, provides step-saving convenience that makes entertaining easier for everyone.

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Follow Your Heart: Recent Work by Nancy Hannans

Nancy Hannans' recent paintings weave stories of love, joy and harmony in magical lands filled with unlimited possibilities. Hannans combines her love for storytelling and universal symbolism to communicate that we are all interconnected, and to celebrate our common humanity. Her artwork is on display at the Workhouse Arts Center through Sept. 6.



THURSDAY/AUG. 13

Afternoon Book Club. 1 p.m. Richard Byrd, Library, 7250 Commerce Street, Springfield. Join this afternoon book club, make new friends, and chat about books. This month's title is "How It All Began" by Penelope Lively.

FRIDAY/ AUG. 14

Library Playdate: Toddlers. 10:30 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Fred Oaks Road, Burke. A fun place to play with other toddlers. Ages 1-2 with Adult. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>

Kingstowne Farmers Market. 4-7 p.m. Fridays, May 1-Oct. 30. Giant Parking Lot, 5955 Kingstowne Towne Center, Alexandria. Vendors products include fresh organic honey and hand held pies and rolls. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/kingstownemkt.htm

SATURDAY/AUG. 15

Art of Movement Class. 8 a.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Enjoy free, drop-in Art of Movement classes featuring Yoga, Hula, Mat Pilates, Surfset and Tai Chi.

Date Night: Chef's Table. 7 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Create, cook and eat together at this fun cooking class. \$150 per couple.

Master Gardeners- Plant Clinic. 10 a.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Master Gardeners will answer all your gardening questions every Saturday morning. Adults.

Mount Vernon Nights 2015: The Revelers. 7-8 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. The Revelers, founding members of the Red Stick Ramblers and The Pine Leaf Boys' "unquestionably the two groups at the vanguard of the Louisiana cultural renaissance" have joined together to form a Louisiana Supergroup which combines Swamp-Pop, Cajun, Country, Blues and Zydeco into a powerful tonic of roots music that could only come from Southwest Louisiana. Free admission.

Tales to Tails. 11 a.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, (Fairfax). Children ages 6-12 celebrate Prince Boo-Boo's birthday with games, activities and reading to the dog. Please bring a birthday card. School age. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fx/>

Burke Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-noon. Saturdays, May 2-Nov. 21. 5671 Roberts Parkway, Burke. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/burkemkt.htm

Springfield Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Springfield Town Center, 6699 Spring Mall Drive, Springfield. www.smartmarkets.org.

Fairfax Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, May 9-Oct. 31. 10500 Page Avenue, Fairfax. www.fairfaxsatdaymarket.com.

Ongoing

Evenings on the Ellipse Summer Concert. Thursdays, through Aug. 20. 5:30-7 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center Ellipse (Backyard), 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Relax with music, tastes of local wines and great company.

Burke Arts in the Parks. Saturdays, through Aug. 22. 10 - 11 a.m. Burke Lake Park Amphitheater, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Entertain children, teach them the importance of protecting our natural resources, introduce them to live entertainment in an informal kid friendly atmosphere, and forge a connection between kids and parks. Call 703-323-6601.

Stars on Sunday Concert Series. Sundays, through Aug. 30. 3 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Featuring a lineup of performances that showcase the diversity of talent and culture in Northern Virginia. Concerts are free to attend and are perfect for families, a special date or a relaxing afternoon of music and dance.

Summer Reading Program. Friday-Saturday, through Sept. 5. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Come to the library all summer for books and events. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fx/>.

Follow Your Heart: Recent Work by Nancy Hannans through Sept. 6 at Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Nancy Hannans' recent paintings weave stories of love, joy and harmony in magical lands filled with unlimited possibilities. Hannans combines her love for storytelling and universal symbolism to communicate that we are all interconnected, and to celebrate our common humanity. The women in her work represent all cultures and races. They embody the beauty of the human spirit and are symbols of wisdom, strength, honesty, courage and perseverance.

SUNDAY/AUG. 16

Model Train Show. 1-4 p.m. Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road. The Northern Virginia NTRAK members will hold a N gauge model train show. Admission: \$2-\$4. Visit www.fairfax-station.org.

Lorton Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sundays, May 3-Nov. 8. Featuring fresh produce, a Swiss bakery and potted plants and herbs. VRE Parking Lot, 8990 Lorton Station Boulevard, Lorton. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/lortonmkt.htm

Fairfax Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays, May 10-Oct. 25. 10500 Page Avenue, Fairfax. www.fairfaxsatdaymarket.com/

Fair Lakes Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 4501 Market Commons Drive, Fairfax. www.greentowns.com/initiative/farmers-market/fair-lakes-farmers-market-fairfax-va.

MONDAY/AUG. 17

Lorton Evening Book Conversations. 7 p.m. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Discuss "Back When We Were Grownups" by Anne Tyler. Adults.

Paws To Read. 5 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Practice reading with Wylie, a trained therapy dog. Call or sign up for a 15-minute session. Age 6-12 with adult.

Let's Hear It For The Girls! 7 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. All girls book discussion group of "Where the Mountain Meets the Moon" by Grace Lin. Age 9-12 with adult female.

Deconstruction/Construction. 2:30 p.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Join the City of

Fairfax Regional Binary and Tech Shop DC-Arlington for an afternoon of demolition. We will deconstruct a common household electronic device. Teens. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fx/>

TUESDAY/AUG. 18

S.T.E.A.M Storytime. 2 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Fred Oaks Road, Burke. Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. Each month focuses on one subject with stories and activities for preschoolers. Ages 4-5 with adult. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>

Brain Games at the Library. 2 p.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Have fun and win prizes with our board and card games that challenge your thinking. Ages 8-12. School age. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fx/>

Classics Book Club. 7 p.m. Richard Byrd, Library, 7250 Commerce Street, Springfield. This month's title is "Little Prince" by Antoine de Saint-Exupery. Adults.

Afternoon Book Discussion Group. 1:30 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. "Discuss One True Thing" by Anna Quindlen. Adults.

Great Decisions Seminar. 2 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Roundtable discussion of U.S foreign policy. Topic: Refugee Crisis. Adults.

Legos In The Library. 4:30 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Use your imagination

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Evening Book Discussion Group. 6:30 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. The Wild Blue: the men and boys who flew B-24's over Germany by Stephen E. Ambrose. Adults.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 19

PJ Book Buddies. 10:30 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Will read selections from the PJ Library and make a craft to bring home. PJ Library provides families with free Jewish books and music each month. Ages 6 months to 5 years. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>

Bilingual Storytime. 4 p.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Stories and songs in English and Spanish. Ages 3-5 with adult. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fox/>

Hug a Bug! 10:30 a.m. Richard Byrd, Library, 7250 Commerce Street, Springfield. Fun stories and activities about summertime insects. Age 3-5 with adult.

THURSDAY/AUG. 20

Afternoon Reading Group. 1 p.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. A Constellation of Vital Phenomena by Anthony Marra. Adult.

Magic Tree House Club. 4:30 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Reading Buffalo Before Breakfast. School age. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>

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FRIDAY/AUG. 21

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Fun and Games. 2 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Board games and fun. Ages 6-12. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/AUG. 21-23

Workhouse Music Hall. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Friday & Saturday: 8 p.m. Sunday: 6 p.m. A good old-fashioned rowdy music hall filled with laughter and songs (both vintage and modern songs that evoke the mood) will fill the air in an homage to the famously unique brand of entertainment. Purchase tickets at workhousearts.org.

SATURDAY/AUG. 22

Mount Vernon Nights 2015: The United States Air Force "Celtic Aire". 7-8 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. "Celtic Aire," the premier folk ensemble of the Air Force, performs great classic Irish melodies with refreshing new flavor! From foot-stomping tunes to heart-warming ballads, these professional vocalists play it all while accompanying themselves on traditional Celtic instruments. Free admission.

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Creative Writers Club. 2 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Join for sharing, discussion and feedback on your works in progress. Teen volunteer facilitates. Ages 13-18. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>

From Seed To Sprout. 10:30 a.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. See how amazing seeds are and learn to sprout seeds by making your own Bean Baby American Horticultural Society and National Capital Area Garden Club. Age 6-12.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/AUG. 22-23

Greenberg Model Train Show. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Dulles Expo Center, 4320 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly. The show will feature many dealers with operating model trains as well as collectibles for sale, hands on exhibits and demonstrations.

SUNDAY/AUG. 23

Summer Activities Day. 1-4 p.m. Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road. Crafts and hands-on activities for all ages. \$2-\$4.

FAITH NOTES

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The Church of the Good Shepherd ESOL Fall classes will be held Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:30 - noon and 7-9 p.m., Sept. 22 through Dec. 10.

Registration is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 9 and Thursday, Sept. 10 from 9:30 - 12 and 7-9 p.m. For information call 703-343-5400.

Fairfax Baptist Temple, at the corner of Fairfax County Parkway and Burke Lake Roads, holds a bible study fellowship at 9 a.m. Sundays followed by a 10 a.m. worship service. Nursery care and children's church also provided. 6401 Missionary Lane, Fairfax Station, 703-323-8100 or www.fbtministries.org.

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Lord of Life Lutheran offers services at two locations, in Fairfax at 5114 Twinbrook Road and in Clifton at 13421 Twin Lakes Drive. Services in Fairfax are held on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and Sundays at 8:30 and 10 a.m. Services in Clifton are held on Sundays at 8:15 and 10:30 a.m. 703-323-9500 or www.Lordoflifeva.org.

First Baptist Church of Springfield offers Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., followed by a 10:30 a.m. worship service at 7300 Gary St., Springfield. 703-451-1500 or www.fbcspingfield.org.

Clifton Presbyterian Church, 12748 Richards Lane, Clifton, offers Sunday worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Nursery care is provided. Christian education for all ages is at 9:45 a.m. 703-830-3175.

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, 6720 Union Mill Road, Clifton, conducts Sunday masses at 7:30 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. It also offers a Saturday vigil at 5:30 p.m. and a Thursday Latin mass at 7 p.m. 703-817-1770 or www.st-andrew.org.

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Firefighter Placed on Leave Following Facebook Comments

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue announced Aug. 5 one of the department's firefighters has been placed on administrative leave following comments he made through social media.

"The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department is aware of a recent social media post by one of our employees that concerns us," the department stated on Twitter on Aug. 4.

A spokesman for the department Dan Schmidt said they found out about the post through Facebook: Firefighter Khalil Abdul-Rasheed had written comments that many believed encouraged public violence towards police officers. Though the Fire and Rescue statements don't name the employee, Schmidt confirmed they refer to Abdul-Rasheed.

Fairfax Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 77 president Brad Carruthers sent Fire Chief Richard Bowers a letter after Abdul-Rasheed's posting had gained attention and visibility in the media. That letter was

then posted on the Lodge's Facebook page.

"The last thing we would ever expect is to be attacked by a fellow member of the public safety community in our own county," Carruthers said in the letter. "This kind of vile and disgraceful social media activity is beyond inappropriate; it cannot and should not be tolerated by your department."

The Aug. 4 Fire and Rescue announcement continues, "We consider this a serious matter and the situation is currently under investigation. The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department will not tolerate committing or inciting violence against law enforcement officers. Fairfax County public safety agencies continue to have a strong working relationship and solid professional respect for each other."

Schmidt declined to answer out of which fire station Abdul-Rasheed is based.

— TIM PETERSON

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TUESDAY/ AUG. 18

Tuesday Morning English

Conversation Group. 10:30 a.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Practice speaking English with others and improve your skills. Adult.

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Back-to-School Resource Fair. 2-7 p.m. 3301 Peace Valley Lane, Falls Church. The fair, which was developed to help students succeed in school, will distribute school supplies free to disadvantaged students, as well as provide resources like haircuts and medical and vision screenings. For more information on the fair or to volunteer, go to stuartpyramidresourcefair.org.

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Lake Braddock Football Returns Plenty of Playmakers

Bruins were blown out by Westfield in 2014 region semis.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

There is no guarantee the Lake Braddock Bruins will face the Westfield Bulldogs this season. For the first time since 2008, the teams will not meet during the regular season.

But if you ask Bruins quarterback Kyle Edwards, Lake Braddock will inevitably cross paths with Westfield if the Burke school is going to capture its first state championship in football.

"They're going to be a team that we're going to have to beat if we want to go for a state championship," Edwards said. "We're not preparing for Westfield, we're not thinking about Westfield, but we know."

The Bulldogs have reached the region championship game each of the last four seasons, beat the Bruins in the semifinals each of the last two years and figure to once again be a contender in 2015. Last year, after beating Westfield during the regular season, Lake Braddock laid an egg during the postseason rematch. The Bruins turned the ball over three times in the first quarter, trailed 35-0 at halftime and 42-0 in the fourth quarter before a trio of late Bruin touchdowns made the final score 42-20.

Edwards passed for 382 yards in defeat, but turned the ball over three times during Lake Braddock's first 12 plays.

NOW A RISING SENIOR, Edwards enters his second season as the Bruins' starting quarterback and will lead a Lake Braddock offense loaded with talent. The 6-foot-2 signal caller is a threat through the air or on the ground, and figures to be more polished in his decision making with a year of experience under his belt.

"Really, what I'm looking for from Kyle is play just like you did last year and cut down on mistakes because mistakes kill you," Lake Braddock head coach Jim Poythress said. "Turnovers and interceptions kill you. He just needs to do what he's capable of doing, not try to force any of the action. Let his skill kids outside make plays [and] we should be fine."

Edwards will have plenty of weapons at his disposal as he attempts to lead Lake Braddock to a seventh consecutive Patriot District/Conference 7 title and a deep postseason run. Rising senior receiver/defensive back Peyton Scott is one of the Bruins' playmakers and figures to be an impact player on both sides of the ball.

"He's an X-factor type guy," Poythress said. "He can run back kicks, play D-back, play anywhere in the secondary. He played safety



Rising senior Kyle Edwards enters his second season as Lake Braddock's starting quarterback.



Rising senior Peyton Scott is one of many offensive weapons for the Lake Braddock football team.

Football Scrimmages

The Lake Braddock football team will host Hayfield for a scrimmage at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 13. Second-year Hayfield head coach Eric Henderson was a Lake Braddock assistant coach in 2012 and 2013.

Woodson will hold its Blue/White Game at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 13 at Pat Cunningham Stadium.

South County will travel to scrimmage Woodbridge at 6 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 14.

Robinson will travel to scrimmage Osborn and Edison will travel to scrimmage McLean, both at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 20. Lee will travel to scrimmage West Potomac and Fairfax will host Stuart, both starting at 6 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 21.

last year, now we'll play him at corner. He can probably cover anybody in this region, I'm pretty certain. He can play out wide, he can carry the ball and he can crack a long run ... at any time."

Rising junior Lamont Atkins is the team's top threat at running back.

"He has tremendous hands," Poythress said, "but he can run the ball as well."

Rising junior Ibrahim Mansaray will also see carries. Poythress said Mansaray is "probably the quickest kid I've ever coached."

"He's short, but don't be fooled, he's built," Poythress said. "He's super strong."

Rising seniors Josh Churchill, David Fofi and Trey Stephens are also receiving threats for the Bruins.

"They have to stop not only weapons through the air running down the field on them, but also, in the backfield," Scott said. "They're not going to know where the ball is going. ... It's going to be tough to handle."

How does the quarterback keep all his weapons happy?

"It's not a challenge," Edwards said, "it's a great problem to have."

Rising senior tackle Aaron Lenhardt (6-5, 250) and rising senior guard Johan Marin (6-2, 245) are standouts on the offensive line.

Lake Braddock also returns plenty of tal-

ent on the defensive side of the ball. Rising seniors David Hibner and Kamron Abolfotouh return as defensive ends in the Bruins' 4-3 scheme. Atkins, and rising seniors Darius Johnson, Andrew Niedringhaus, and Daniel Dinges are returning linebackers. Scott, Mansaray and rising junior Asa Ward are standouts in the secondary. Rising sophomores Tyler Matheny and Jack Darcy could also be impact players.

Rising senior Nick Bruhn is the kicker.

LAKE BRADDOCK will open the season on the road against Lee at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 4. The Bruins' first home game is Sept. 11 against Annandale.

Lake Braddock's other notable regular-season matchups include Robinson (away, Sept. 18), Centreville (home, Oct. 2), West Springfield (home, Oct. 23) and South County (home, Nov. 6).

"It's a better group [this season] because there's no individualism," Poythress said of the Bruins. "

These people sometimes stand out and they're above everyone else and they make you miserable, even from a coach. ... They need to bond and jell together more as a unit and not little cliques on the outside. At the end of the day, that wears you thin. Seems like we have a good group."

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The Final EA and FONSI are being made available to the public and Federal, and local government agencies for review. Comments are due no later than August 28, 2015. Please send all written comments and inquiries to Mr. Paul Gyamfi, Regional Environmental Planner, Office of Planning and Design Quality, Public Buildings Service -NCR, U.S. General Services Administration, 301 7th Street, SW, Room 4004, Washington, DC 20407 or by email at paul.gyamfi@gsa.gov.

A copy of both the Final EA and FONSI is available for public review at the following locations: Charles E. Beatley Jr. Central Library, 5005 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22304; and Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce Street, Springfield, VA 22150 or via the internet at: www.gsa.gov/ncrnepa

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