

NEWCOMERS & COMMUNITY GUIDE

2015-2016



Domenic Scavuzzo came to Lake Fairfax to do a little fishing. During the spring, the lake is stocked with thousands of pounds of rainbow trout. Fishing licenses are available on site.

Reston
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Reston Association's **Open House**

For New and Not So New Members



Thursday, October 8
6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Reston Association
12001 Sunrise Valley Drive

- Come learn more about Reston Association (RA) and the many services, amenities and programs it provides for you.
- Learn about the history of Reston and what's on the horizon.
- Meet with your RA Covenants Advisor and learn about the services they provide property owners.
- Talk with RA Parks and Recreation staff about programs, events and facilities.
- Learn how to navigate RA's new website (www.reston.org) so you can access important association and community resources.
- Explore how you can get involved in Reston, serve on the RA Board or one of our many committees and give back to the community.

Light refreshments will be available and door prizes will be awarded.
Please RSVP to member_services@reston.org or call 703-435-6530.



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Check Out RA's Fall Programs and Events Guide Pages 52–91

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Bob Simon's Best of Reston

Reston founder on his favorite events and places in Reston.

First published in The Connection in 2010.

Events

1960—Signing of contract to purchase 1750 acres of farmland and woods located between D.C. 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

2009—Dedication of Nature House at Nature Center

2010—Asian Festival at Brown's Chapel

Places

❖My bed in 1301—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

❖CenterStage 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



CONNECTION FILE PHOTO

Robert Simon overlooks Washington Plaza at Lake Anne, where Reston's opening ceremony was held in 1965.

Welcome from Police Chief Ed Roessler

Dear Community Members:

The Fairfax County Police Department was established on July 1, 1940 and today we have an authorized strength of 1,372 sworn law enforcement officers who protect and serve the communities of the County. On average, officers respond to over 400,000 calls for service each year. As we engage with the communities we serve, we understand our profession must always assess our services and constantly strive to challenge each other to re-engineer how we deliver essential law enforcement services in a community that exceeds 1.1 million residents. We are fortunate to have an engaged community which continues to assist us in preventing and fighting crime, increasing the culture of safety to preserve the sanctity of life for all, and keep pace with rapid urbanization.

Your Police Department proactively undertook an independent review of its use of force training, and related policies and procedures. The review, conducted by the Police Executive Research Forum, proposed 71 enhancement recommendations. The core theme of change is adopting the philosophy of the sanctity of life in all we do. We have initiated policy changes and embarked on many training programs which embrace state-of-the-art decision making models and best practices for de-escalation and escalation techniques and new initiatives to safely interact and divert from jail those suffering mental illness. Currently 43 percent of our patrol officers are certified



Chief Edwin C. Roessler Jr.

in Crisis Intervention Team training and all recruits now receive parallel training.

Other recent policy changes include the concepts of being able to hold and contain events in order to develop successful resolutions to each call for service when possible.

In 2014 the Police Department began a self-assessment process to align all of its policies and procedures to comply with several hundred national standards established by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. The on-site assessment, required to obtain accredited status,

is scheduled for early 2016 and will be conducted by assessors from outside the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Department continues to maintain its accredited status from the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission.

During the last year the Department's social media presence has continued to expand in efforts toward sharing more information with the community. Recently the Department posted 10 years of officer-involved shooting case summaries and data on our public web site. Our goal is to share information on officer-involved shooting cases in order for the community to better understand the investigative processes of these events and to engage in dialogue on these matters.

In 2013, the Department created a Chief's Council on Diversity Recruitment. Its strategic mission is to assist the Department to increase the cultural diversity of the sworn, civilian, and volunteer workforce to better reflect the diversity of the communities we serve. When visiting the Chief's web site you can view the diversity scorecard accountability measure, read the Council's strategic plan document, and learn about the varied volunteer opportunities you can engage in with the Police Department.

Several community members have graciously volunteered time from their busy personal lives to establish and serve on a Communities of Trust Committee which is comprised of all public safety agencies and reports directly to the chairman of the County Board of Supervisors. This effort aligns well with recommendations from the Task Force on 21st Century Policing. Many

forums have been held throughout the community and numerous initiatives are in development to increase public engagement with the community to build upon mutual trust.

The Police Department, along with the Community Services Board, other public safety agencies, and mental health advocates have partnered to develop additional crisis intervention programs, including a drop off center which will provide a viable jail diversion alternative for those in mental health crisis. We look forward to achieving this critical strategic goal.

In recent years a majority of our homicides have been domestic related. On July 1, 2015, the Fairfax County Police Department launched a Lethality Assessment Program in which all patrol officers have been trained to administer an assessment to provide resources to victims of domestic violence which are available 24/7. This program truly demonstrates engagement with many partners who share our goal in increasing services and eliminating domestic violence.

In early 2015 another community engagement endeavor was launched with the creation of the Ad Hoc Police Policy and Practices Commission. This Commission is comprised of five sub-committees which are conducting reviews of the Police Department as related to use of force; communications; recruitment, diversity, and applicant vetting; and independent oversight and investigations.

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Del. Ken Plum, School Board member Pat Hynes, Sen. Janet Howell and Chairman Sharon Bulova join Bob Simon and his wife Cheryl Terio-Simon on Simon's 101st birthday.



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The South Lakes High School saxophone quartet plays in Lake Anne Plaza, featuring Julia Rose, freshman; James Heiman, sophomore; David Clark, sophomore; and Nathan Hamlett, freshman.

Who Runs Reston? Reston founder Robert E. Simon still in the center of Reston's activism; Reston Association provides governance.

Reston Association

<https://www.reston.org>
From the website, verbatim:
Reston Association (RA) is a not-for-profit corporation that serves a community of 60,000 people and is one of the largest community associations in the United States. ...
Reston's membership is comprised of 21,346 residential units. All residential property owners and renters subject to the Reston Deed are automatically members of the Reston Association.

RA is responsible for administering the community's real property. As a steward, RA has three major roles:

- *Reston Association provides parks and recreation facilities and amenities like those of a city or town. The association maintains and operates recreational facilities, including 15 pools, 48 tennis courts, 55 miles of paved pathways, ballfields, playgrounds, multipurpose courts, picnic areas, garden plots and a variety of rental facilities for public meetings and gatherings.

- *Reston Association seeks to preserve property values in Reston through a system of covenants and restrictions that govern the design, maintenance, and use of property, as broadly spelled out in the Deed; and

- *Reston Association seeks to protect Reston's natural beauty and environment. The association maintains and nurtures over 1,300 acres of open space, including four lakes, three ponds, streams, wetlands, forests, and meadows, as well as a 72-acre nature education center.

Reston Citizens Association

<http://restoncitizensassociation.blogspot.com/>
The Reston Citizens Association (RCA)

serves more than 60,000 people who live in Reston. "Founded in 1967, RCA is the only community-wide, non-partisan, and action-oriented organization in which everyone that lives, works and plays in Reston has a voice," according to its website.

Reston Citizens Association's mission is to promote Reston's vision and planning principles, to sustain and enhance its quality of life now and in the future, by serving as a non-partisan, action-oriented organization for all Restonians. Its goals are: "to educate the community by monitoring, analyzing and reporting on issues affecting Reston and its future; to engage the community by actively listening and communicating with Reston residents in writing and in public meetings; to facilitate the voice of the citizens by representing the community at local, county and state level meetings and forums as well as with all other relevant stakeholders."

Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce

<http://www.restonchamber.org/>
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Mark Ingrao, President, CEO:
marki@restonchamber.org

The Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce is one of the largest chambers in the region and provides programs, education, connections and advocacy for members and organizations in the Dulles Corridor.

The Chamber operates around four strategic cornerstones: Networking, Business Development and Marketing, Community Engagement and Advocacy, and Business Education and Mentoring. The Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce holds many events, including serving as major sponsor of the Best of Reston.

Reston Founder Robert E. Simon Jr.

In 1960, Robert E. Simon Jr. sold his family's real estate, Carnegie Hall, to New York City for \$5 million and signed a contract to purchase 6,750 acres of farmland and woods located between D.C. and Dulles airport, which was under construction. In 1966, the beginning of the new town of Reston was celebrated with international fanfare.

While Simon lost control of Reston in 1967, he moved back to his town in 1993, and has been involved in many aspects of the town since then.

The first Founder's Day was celebrated on April 17, 2004, on Reston's 40th Anniversary. Reston turned 50, and Simon turned 100 in April, 2014. Simon celebrated his 101st birthday last spring.

Board of Supervisors

Reston is governed by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors controls the county budget, establishes county government policy, passes resolutions and ordinances (within the limits of its authority established by the Virginia General Assembly), sets local tax rates, approves land use plans and makes appointments to various positions. Fairfax County has an elected Board of Supervisors consisting of nine members elected by district, plus a chairman elected at-large.

See www.fairfaxcounty.gov/government/board/about-the-board-of-supervisors.htm

Reston is in the Hunter Mill District. Reston residents are represented on the Board of Supervisors by Hunter Mill Supervisor Catherine "Cathy" Hudgins (D) and

Chairman, At-large member Sharon Bulova.

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Fairfax County School Board

The Fairfax County School Board has 12 members, elected for four-year terms; one member represents each of the County's nine magisterial districts, and three members serve at large. A student representative, selected for a one-year term by the Student Advisory Council, sits with the Board at all public meetings and participates in discussions, but does not vote. All 12 seats on the Fairfax County School Board on the ballot on Nov. 3. Reston is represented by Hunter Mill District School Board member Pat Hynes, who is currently school board chairman, plus the three at-large members, Ryan L. McElveen, Ilryong Moon and Theodore J. "Ted" Velkoff.

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About the Connection

As your local, weekly newspaper, the Connection's mission is to deliver the local news you need, to try to make sense of what is happening in your community, to gather information about the best things in and around your community, to advocate for community good, to provide a forum for dialogue on local concerns, and to celebrate and record achievements, milestones and events in the community and people's lives.

Here in our Newcomers and Community Guide, we've included an expanded and updated version of our award-winning Insider's Guide to 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 email with feedback about our coverage.

We want to know if someone in your family or your community published a book, started a business, became an Eagle Scout, raised money for a good cause, accomplished some feat like running a marathon, supporting a cause or having art included in an art show. We publish photos and notes about personal milestones and community events, including births, engagements, weddings, anniversaries, awards and obituaries.

We are also interested in events at your church, mosque, synagogue, community center, pool, school, club, etc. Email us a note about the event, being sure to include when and where the photo was taken and the names of all the people who are in a photo. We also publish notes about news and events from local businesses. Notes about openings, new employees and anniversaries are welcome. It is especially important to us to let people know about events ahead of time in our calendar of events. We appreciate getting notice at least two weeks ahead of the event, and we encourage photos.

Your community Connection newspaper is one of 15 papers published by the independent, locally owned Local Media Con-

nection LLC, serving the suburbs of Metropolitan Washington in Northern Virginia and Potomac, Md.

Our flagship paper, the Alexandria Gazette Packet, is one of the oldest continuously publishing papers in the country, beginning publication in 1784.

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, Best in Show for our Insiders Guide to the Parks, first place for our community guides, plus awards in news, art, business, special projects, sports, entertainment, design, photography and much more.

We have staff and contributors here at the Connection with remarkable talent and experience, far greater than one might expect. We continue to publish 15 distinct papers every week that serve their communities in distinct ways.

We welcome contributing writers, with the caveat that our freelance pay is nominal; if you are interested in covering news or events in your community, email editors@connectionnewspapers.com. We offer summer and year-round educational internships with information at www.connectionnewspapers.com/internships.

In addition to our weekly coverage, we have monthly special focus pages on Wellbeing; Education, Learning, Fun; and HomeLifeStyle, plus other seasonal specials including Real Estate, Senior Living, Fall Fun, Food and Entertainment (also Winter, Spring and Summer), a twice annual Pet Connection, and others. If you have story ideas for these, email editors@connectionnewspapers.com; if are interested in marketing, email sales@connectionnewspapers.com.

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Welcome

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The Commission will make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors this fall. The Police Department is highly engaged with all of the community members serving on the Commission and we look forward to positive change recommendations to better serve all of Fairfax County.

The Police Department values technology advances and we are migrating to a new records management system to assist all personnel in achieving an intelli-

gence led community policing model. The Department is also preparing to institute an electronic summons system for issuing traffic and criminal violations. Our patrol cruisers are equipped with in-car video recording devices and we are exploring the viability of body worn cameras with community stakeholders.

To learn more about the Fairfax County Police Department, please visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/>

Welcome to Fairfax County, a great place to live, work, play and grow old.

RESTON CHAMBERS

Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce

The organization serves businesses in the Dulles Corridor. It aims to be the catalyst for business growth and entrepreneurship by providing quality programs, education, connections and advocacy for our members and organizations in the Dulles Corridor. www.restonchamber.org.

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Northern Virginia

Located in Herndon, the organization serves businesses lead by and those that work with the Hispanic community in the area. www.hccnva.org/.

Pakistan American Business Association Inc.

PABA is a nonprofit, bilateral trade association that promotes business opportunities between Pakistan and the United States of America, and nurtures leadership skills within the Pakistani American business community. 703-627-1500 or www.pabausa.org/.

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Reston Demographics

Zip code: 20194
Population: 13,165
Race: White-10,464 (79.5%), Black/African American-674 (5.1%), American Indian and Alaska Native-20 (0.2%), Asian-1,396 (10.6%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-832 (6.3%)
Total housing units: 5,932
Owner-occupied housing units: 4,021 (71%)
Households with individuals under 18 years: 1,812 (32%)
Households with individuals 65 years and over: 739 (13%)
Median household income: 132,019
Mean family income: 212,131
Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 22.5%

Zip code: 20190
Population: 17,529
Race: White-11,999 (68.5%), Black/African American-2,030 (11.6%), American Indian and Alaska Native-45 (0.3%), Asian-2,075 (11.8%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-1,848 (10.5%)
Total housing units: 9,156
Owner-occupied housing units: 4,580 (53%)
Households with individuals under 18 years: 1,823 (21.1%)
Households with individuals 65 years and over: 1,789 (20.7 %)
Median household income: 89,296
Mean family income: 132,147
Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 29.3%

Zip code: 20191
Population: 29,128
Race: White-19,460 (66.8%), Black/African American-2,991 (10.3%), American Indian and Alaska Native-118 (0.4%), Asian-3,255 (11.2%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-4,860 (16.7%)

Total housing units: 12,096
Owner-occupied housing units: 8,438 (72.5%)
Households with individuals under 18 years: 3,635 (31.3%)
Households with individuals 65 years and over: 2,477 (21.3%)
Median household income: 107,771
Mean family income: 142,295
Population 5 years and over who speak a language other than English at home: 32.9%
 Source: U.S. Census 2010; American Community Survey 2012

Oak Hill/Herndon
Zip code: 20170
Population: 41,236
Race: White-23,745 (57.6%), Black/African American-3,413 (8.3%), American Indian and Alaska Native-222 (0.5%), Asian-6,992 (17%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-10,795 (26.2%)
Total housing units: 14,446
Owner-occupied housing units: 8,852 (66.9%)
Households with individuals under 18 years: 5,758 (43.5%)
Households with individuals 65 years and over: 1,708 (12.9%)
Median household income: 103,679
Mean family income: 131,559
Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 45.3%

Zip code: 20171
Population: 45,887
Race: White-26,558 (57.9%), Black/African American-3,506 (7.6%), American Indian and Alaska Native-104 (0.2%), Asian-13,029 (28.4%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-3,092 (6.7%)
Total housing units: 16,868
Owner-occupied housing units: 10,833 (66.6%)
 Source: U.S. Census 2010; American Community Survey 2012

Your elected representative to state government Delegate Ken Plum • 36th District



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 June
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 September
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wwfilmfest.com

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NEWCOMERS

Meet the Candidates for County Board

All politics is local, in Fairfax County, too:
Who runs for Board of Supervisors in November?

You may be surprised – or dismayed – to learn that the 10 men and women who occupy Fairfax County Board of Supervisors wield enormous power and influence over your everyday lives.

They set your tax rate, fund the public school system, and determine priorities and policies for issues ranging from affordable housing, homelessness and human services to economic development, traffic calming and the environment.

They manage a \$7 billion 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.

Their decisions can propel our community forward – or cost us our first-rate status in education, livability and culture.

If you happen to meet them this election season, thank them for the long-awaited Silver Line expan-

sion, a success that directly benefits you and your property values. Or, you may want to chide them for the extra \$185 you will pay in property taxes this year, or the generous \$20,000 pay raise they gave themselves after increasing your property taxes.

They do want to hear from you. What they don't want to hear are complaints about potholes on your road. Not because they don't care, but because they can't do anything about it.

In the Commonwealth of Virginia, the state builds, maintains and operates local roads. Transportation funding, you will quickly learn, is a perennial hot topic in the Virginia General Assembly.

So is redistricting, also known as gerrymandering, which has kept the Commonwealth in another form of gridlock as Republicans and Democrats struggle ceaselessly for control of the legislature.

Another perennial problem is the socioeconomic divide between affluent Northern Virginia (NOVA) – where you now reside – and the Rest of Virginia (ROVA) – where a chunk of your tax dollars disappear. NOVA gets less back from Richmond than we send down there, and so Northern Virginians have the privilege of paying extra taxes (and tolls) to fund the badly-needed improvements to our transportation infrastructure. It drives us a little crazy.

As a newcomer, you may wonder why we still call ourselves a “Commonwealth,” instead of just an ordinary state. Good question. Virginia retained this nomenclature – as did Kentucky, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania – when we adopted our first constitution in 1776, most likely to emphasize the fact that our new government was based upon the sovereignty of the people united for the common good. If we're re-

ally honest, we are also very proud of the ruckus we kicked up with the British Monarchy when we declared our independence. There's a reason our state motto is “Sic Semper Tyrannis,” Latin for “thus always to tyrants.”

So, dear newcomer: Wherever you are from, you are here now. In the Old Dominion, the Mother of Presidents. Let that sink in for a moment.

We hope you will appreciate the fact that you are here, reading this guide, during an important election season. We assume you will join the ranks of Fairfax County's prolific electorate, where nearly 43 percent of residents cast their ballots last year, and vote on Nov. 3.

To make it a little easier for you, and give you the opportunity to feel like “political insiders,” we asked each of the 19 BOS candidates to give you their answers to questions specifically geared toward newcomers.

Their responses are unedited and enlightening. We hope.

— VICTORIA ROSS



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Questions

1) What should newcomers know about the impact the Board of Supervisors has on their daily lives? In other words - what do you do at the county level that's important enough to compel newcomers to vote in this election?

2) To make newcomers feel at home, what's a “must-see” place or event you recommend they check out in Fairfax County or your district?

3) What's your favorite sports team?

4) Fairfax County gained national and global Twitter prominence earlier this year when outraged FCPS students started the Twitter hashtag #closeFCPS after school officials did not call a snow day when it actually snowed. What Twitter or Instagram hashtag would you like to see trending in the coming year about Fairfax County or your district?

Race: Chairman, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors (At Large)

Incumbent:
Sharon S. Bulova (D)
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Email Address: sharonbulova@gmail.com
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Challenger:
Arthur G. Purves (R)
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Web - Votepurves.org
Twitter @agpurves

Challenger:
Glenda Gail Parker (Independent Green)
Home: Alexandria
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Phone: 703-960-5602
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ANSWERS: BULOVA

1) We are the most grass roots level of government. Our Board is responsible for everything from ensuring clean drinking water, safe streets and neighborhoods, compassionate human services, attractive parks and libraries to funding our fantastic school system.

2) Hard to choose a favorite. Fairfax has the most wonderful park system with something for everyone to enjoy. I jog through the woods in Villa Park three times a week.

3) My current favorite is Fairfax County's World Police & Fire Games Women's Basketball Team.



Sharon Bulova



Arthur Purves



Glenda Parker

They won a gold medal at the Games and presented me with an autographed ball.

4) Trending: #FairfaxCounty/#model/EngagedCommunity
“I'd like to see #FairfaxModel become a trend for what we are doing in the area of mental health. I want others to look to us the way we are looking to Memphis and Bexar County for examples of how to adequately train public safety to deal with people suffering from mental illness and diverting those individuals from jail into treatment.”

ANSWERS: PARKER

1) Your commute depends on politics, More Trains, Less Traffic! Trains as fast as planes. Nationwide and local rail feeder systems. We need light rail to serve tourists and

VRE service throughout the day and on weekends. The BOS can pressure the Virginia General Assembly and Virginia Congressional delegation to remove the barrier that prevents building rail mass transit and to encourage renewable energy – solar, wind, geothermal. Rail built anywhere in America benefits ALL of America.

2) Check out Channel 10's Green TV on Cox, Verizon or Fios. Visit us on YouTube: search for Independent Greens of Virginia or GailforRailParker YouTube channel.

3) My hometown girls' basketball team, the Kingston Princesses!

4) This is easy: #HHR4FXCounty/#MoreTrainsLessTraffic/#GailforRailrocks/#www.GailParker.us

* Candidate Arthur Purvis did not respond to the questionnaire.

Race: Dranesville District Supervisor



Incumbent:
John W. Foust (D)
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Challenger:
Jennifer C. Chronis (R)
Home: McLean
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Phone: 703-938-3742
Twitter: @jenniferchronis
Website:jenniferchronis.com

ANSWERS: FOUST

1) The Board of Supervisors is the governing body for Fairfax County. No level of government has more impact on our daily lives. We set policies and approve programs for transportation, public safety, the environment, land use, housing and human services, economic development, and many other services. We adopt the County's \$7 billion budget, fund the schools, establish local tax rates, approve or reject land use proposals, and provide constituent services on a host of issues.



2) Dranesville residents should visit and enjoy our wonderful parks including Riverbend, Scotts Run Nature Preserve, Wolf Trap and Turner Farm to name just a few.

3) Pittsburgh Steelers

4) #NoMoreCongestion

ANSWERS: CHRONIS

1) The Board of Supervisors influences nearly every aspect of your day to day life. Paying real estate taxes? The Board of Supervisors sets the rate. Taking your kids to school? The Board of Supervisors funds the schools. Going to a park on the weekend? The Board of Supervisors manages the park system. Every one of the County's 1.1 million residents is impacted by decisions made by the 10-person Board of Supervisors.

2) One of my favorite places to visit in Dranesville is Great Falls Park. From nature trails to gorgeous views, the park is a must-see!

3) Washington Nationals (Go Nats!)

4) #EndHumanTrafficking

Race: Hunter Mill District Supervisor

Incumbent: Catherine M. Hudgins (D) *Running Unopposed
Home: Reston
E-Mail Address: cathy@cathyhudgins.com
Phone: 703-471-4297
web - cathyhudgins.com
Twitter @cathyhudgins



ANSWERS: HUDGINS

1) Welcome to Hunter Mill District. As member of the Board of Supervisors, I serve the citizens by making policies that enhance and protect lives. The district, with over 126,000 residents, recently celebrated the new Silver Line to Tysons and Reston, expanded bus services, preserved 35 percent affordable housing in Lake Anne village redevelopment, renovated two schools and opened a new police station. Most importantly, I work in partnership with citizens, making our community the best for all.

2) Some favorite s- anything in Lake Anne, Reston Town Center, Viva Vienna, historic Church Street and Frying Pan Park

3) Favorite sport is tennis!

4)How about - #doittogether

Money: How much have they raised?

We've compiled the most recent financial filings for candidates in the 2015 race for Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. The figures represent the reports candidates filed on July 15 for the period from Jan. 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015. The next financial report will be filed in September. For more details on candidates' financial filings, go to www.VPAOrg.org/localities/Fairfax-county-va/elections/tracked/

— VICTORIA ROSS

Braddock Supervisor
John Cook, Incumbent, (R)
Money Raised: \$178,744
Money Spent: \$83,468
Balance: \$83,468

Janet Oleszek (D)
Money Raised: \$41,909
Money Spent: \$37,072
Balance: \$4,834

Carey Campbell (I)
Money Raised: \$0
Money Spent: \$0
Balance: \$0
Dranesville Supervisor
Jennifer Chronis (R)
Money Raised: \$143,732
Money Spent: \$51,302
Balance: \$92,427

John Foust (D) Incumbent
Money Raised: \$164,364
Money Spent: \$112,824
Balance: \$52,559

Hunter Mill Supervisor
Catherine Hudgins (D) Incumbent
Money Raised: \$9,226
Money Spent: \$22,894
Balance: \$20,867

Lee Supervisor
Jeffrey McKay (D) Incumbent
Money Raised: \$91,563
Money Spent: \$54,378
Balance: **\$92,147**

Mason Supervisor
Penny Gross (D) Incumbent
Money Raised: \$185,26
Money Spent: \$152,808
Balance: \$118,311

Mollie Loeffler (I)
Money Raised: \$18,557
Money Spent: \$5,708
Balance: \$12,848

SOURCE: VIRGINIA PUBLIC ACCESS PROJECT

Mount Vernon Supervisor
Jane Gandee (R)
Money Raised: \$52,988
Money Spent: \$32,201
Balance: \$20,786

Daniel Storck (D)
Money Raised: \$115,079
Money Spent: \$109,153
Balance: \$5,924

Providence Supervisor
Linda Smyth (D)
Money Raised: \$112,210
Money Spent: \$108,020
Balance: \$22,499

Springfield Supervisor
Pat Herry (R) Incumbent
Money Raised: \$409,995
Money Spent: \$309,925
Balance: \$102,129

Corazon Foley (I)
Money Raised: \$0
Money Spent: \$0
Balance: \$0

Sully Supervisor
John Guevara
Money Raised: \$71,697
Money Spent: \$58,333
Balance: \$13,362

Kathy Smith (D)
Money Raised: \$45,214
Money Spent: \$20,135
Balance: \$25,079

Chairman, Board of Supervisors (At Large)
Arthur Purves (R)
Money Raised: \$12,223
Money Spent: \$5,384
Balance: \$6,837

Sharon Bulova (D) IncumbentMoney Raised: \$167,871Money Spent: \$96,446Balance: \$78,878Glenda Parker (I)Money Raised: \$0Money Spent: \$0Balance: \$0



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703-759-4049

PARKS

AN INSIDER'S GUIDE TO MAJOR PARKS IN THE AREA

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 amphitheatres 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 & Atlantis Waterpark

7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville
www.nvrpa.org/park/bull_run/
www.atlantisbullrun.com/
703-631-0552

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. 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. Neptune Reef snack bar sells food, beverages and sweets.

CR Cameron Run Regional Park/Great Waves Waterpark

4001 Eisenhower Ave., Alexandria
www.nvrpa.org/park/cameron_run/
www.greatwaveswaterpark.com/
703-960-0767

Cameron Run Regional Park offers a variety of recreation facilities in an urban area, including Great Waves Water Park. Catch a wave in the wave pool, twist and turn down four-story water slides, take a plunge down speed slides, play with friends in the shallow waters of the play

pool. The park also features a deluxe miniature golf course, a nine-station batting cage, picnic shelters, and a special events pavilion.

CH Carlyle House Historic Park

121 N. Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314
www.nvrpa.org/park/carlyle_house_historic_park/
703-549-2997

The historic Carlyle House was completed in 1753 by British merchant John Carlyle for his bride, Sarah Fairfax of Belvoir, member of one of the most prestigious families in colonial Virginia. Their home quickly became a center of social and political life in Alexandria and gained a foothold in history when British General Braddock made the mansion his headquarters in 1755. On the National Register of Historic Places, Carlyle House is architecturally unique in Alexandria as the only stone, 18th-century Palladian-style house. Daily tours of the house, programs for schoolchildren, special events, exhibits and lectures explore the life and times of John Carlyle in pre-Revolutionary Alexandria. The site may be rented in the evenings for private functions and weddings.

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 restored 18th-century cabin.

OR Occoquan Regional Park

9751 Ox Road, Lorton
www.nvrpa.org/park/occoquan/
703-690-2121

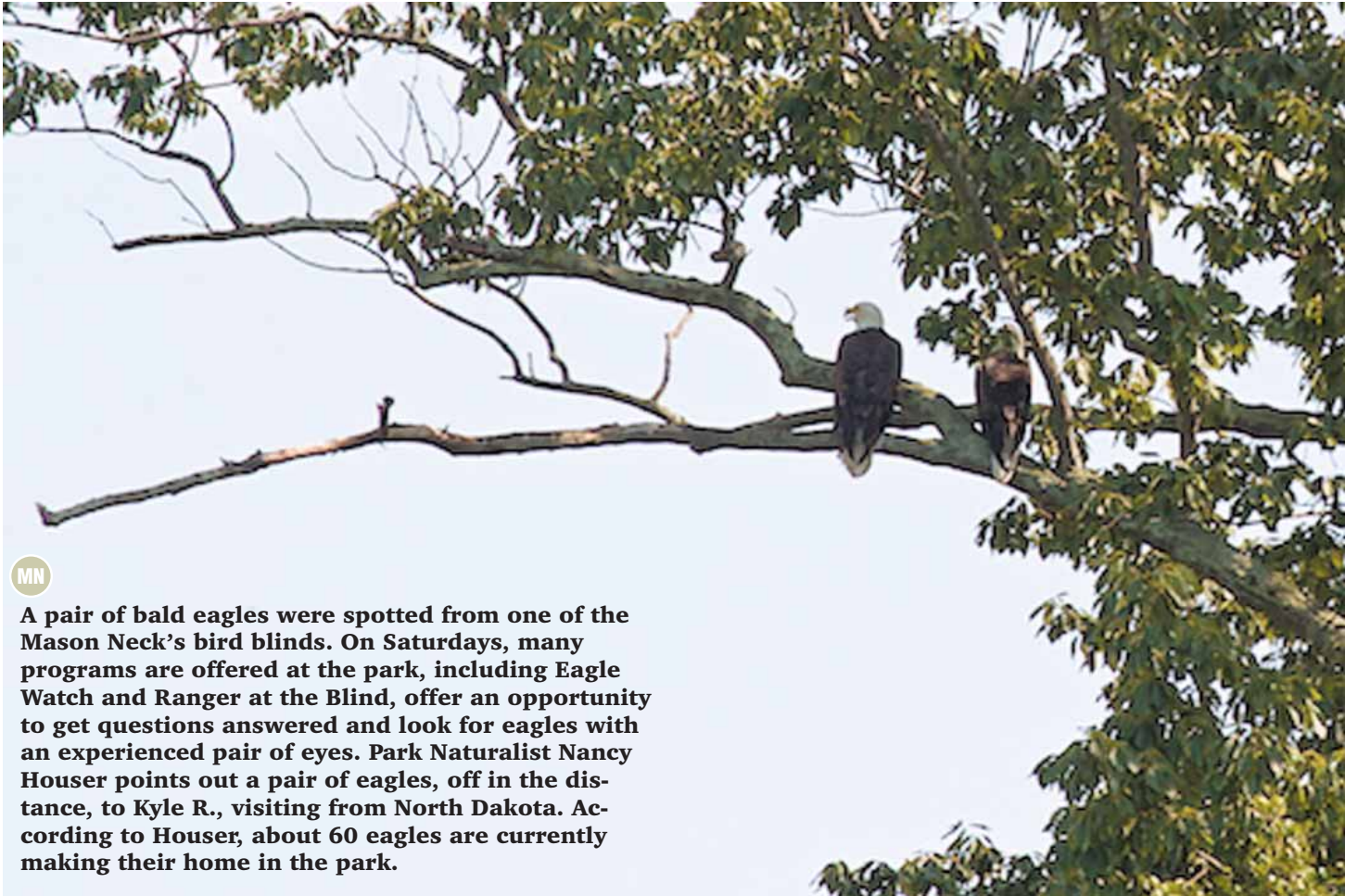
This park offers 400 acres of recreational space and a touch of the past with its historic brick kilns and the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial. Park lands, trails and associated waters are part of the Fairfax Cross-County Trail. Kayak rentals. One hour Tour Boat Rides on the Occoquan River to Belmont 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 & Pirates Cove Waterpark

6501 Pohick Bay Drive, Lorton
www.nvrpa.org/park/pohick_bay/
www.piratescovepohick.com
703-339-6102

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. The park offers one of the largest, outdoor freeform pools on the east coast. Pohick Bay Regional Park, located on Mason Neck Peninsula is an ecologically fragile land that shelters an abundance of wildlife, including the bald eagle. 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

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 Renée Ruggles.



MN
A pair of bald eagles were spotted from one of the Mason Neck’s bird blinds. On Saturdays, many programs are offered at the park, including Eagle Watch and Ranger at the Blind, offer an opportunity to get questions answered and look for eagles with an experienced pair of eyes. Park Naturalist Nancy Houser points out a pair of eagles, off in the distance, to Kyle R., visiting from North Dakota. According to Houser, about 60 eagles are currently making their home in the park.

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.

PO Potomac Overlook Regional Park & Nature Center
2845 Marcey Road, Arlington, VA 22207
www.nvrpa.org/park/potomac_overlook/
703-528-5406
On the Potomac Palisades in north Arlington, Potomac Overlook offers 70 acres of peaceful woodland, trails, educational gardens, a small picnic area and a Nature Center. The Nature Center features brand new exhibits called the “Energerium,” offering visitors a fun and accessible way to learn energy basics and ways they can help create sustainable energy solutions. The Nature Center also houses live animals and natural history exhibits.

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.

UH Upton Hill Regional Park & Ocean Dunes Waterpark
6060 Wilson Blvd., Arlington
www.nvrpa.org/park/upton_hill/
www.oceanduneswaterpark.com/
703-534-3437 or UptonHill@nvrpa.org
Upton Hill Regional Park offers visitors a wooded oasis in the heart of the most densely populated area of Northern Virginia. A large outdoor water-park complex is a sparkling attraction in

this wooded, urban park, which straddles the boundary line between Arlington and Fairfax counties. The deluxe miniature golf course boasts one of the longest mini golf holes in the world; the batting cages include nine baseball and softball cages. The park is open every day for hiking, picnicking, playing on the playground and enjoying the outdoors. Located within Upton Hill Regional Park, Ocean Dunes is loaded with fun features for adults and children.

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.



The Ratcliffs, of Rockville, came out to enjoy a family bike ride. Cycling is a popular activity along the park-way.

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

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



On Sunday evenings, the community gathers in the pavilion, to enjoy a summer concert series, sponsored by the Friends of Fort Hunt 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

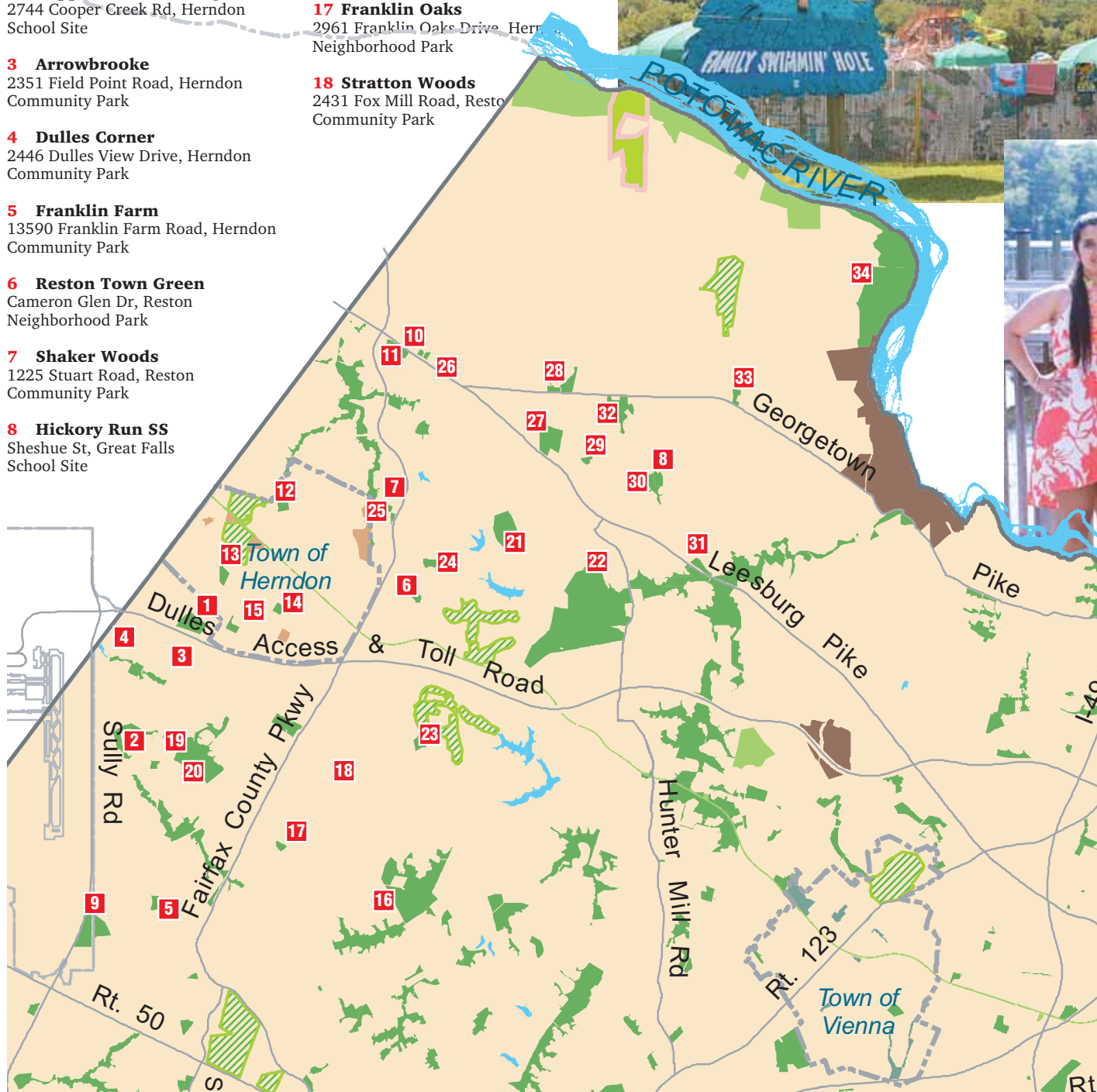


On the hottest day of the year, the water park fills to capacity. The Water Mine Family Swimmin' Hole operates from Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day. Inside, guests will find a tot pool, lazy river, tube slides, and more.



The park offers several picnic areas and large shelters available, for rent. Jettika (right), of Loudoun, and Payal, of Fairfax, came for a large family celebration on the lake.

PHOTOS BY RENÉE RUGGLES
FEATURING
LAKE FAIRFAX PARK



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 Saffa 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



Lake Fairfax Park, located in Reston, covers 473 acres. Between the campground athletic fields, trails, water activities, skatepark, and playground areas, there is something to interest children of all ages.



Domenic Scavuzzo, of Vienna, came to Lake Fairfax to do a little fishing. During the spring, the lake is stocked with thousands of pounds of rainbow trout. Fishing licenses are available on site.

NONPROFITS

Reston Citizens Association (RCA)

Reston Citizens Association (RCA) is a nonprofit, tax-exempt corporation, founded in 1967. RCA promotes and protects Reston's founding principles in the political arena by serving as a non-partisan forum for all residents and as an advocate for the community with County and State government. www.RCAreston.com

Useful Services Exchange (USE)

One of the most inviting groups in Reston was established in 1975 and has helped hundreds of members since then. Simply known as USE—USEful Services Exchange—members perform services for each other for USE credit or debit hours, rather than as direct or monetary exchanges between people.

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Rescue Reston

Rescue Reston is a grassroots 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. Whether you golf or just enjoy the outdoors, learn more about Reston Open Space at www.RescueReston.org.

Reston Environmental Action (REACT)

Is a nonprofit 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, call 703-620-0151 or email info@restonenvironmentalaction.org.

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The Herndon field hockey team won the Conference 5 championship in 2014.



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Getting to Know Herndon Sports

Field hockey team won Conference 5 championship.

School: Herndon High School

Mascot: Hornets.

School Colors: Red and black.

Athletic Director: Jonathan Frohm, 703-810-2275.

Football Coach: Jeremiah Davis (second year).

The Hornets lost four of their last five games and finished 4-6. Herndon hasn't made the playoffs since 2008.

Field Hockey Coach: Mary Miller.

Volleyball Coach: Bruce Short.

Boys' Basketball Coach: Gary Hall.

Girls' Basketball Coach: Cornelius Snead.

Rival School: South Lakes.

What happened last year: The field hockey team finished 19-3, won the Conference 5 champi-

onship and reached the region semifinals. The boys' basketball team lost to Westfield in the conference championship game and reached the region quarterfinals. The baseball team reached the region quarterfinals.

Notable: The field hockey team's 2014 Conference 5 championship was the program's first conference/district title since 1979.

Quotable: "We now get to put our year up [on a banner] in the gym. That's what we wanted — we wanted to make history." — Then-senior Taylor Stone after the Herndon field hockey team beat defending state champion Westfield to win the 2014 Conference 5 championship.

Getting to Know Oakton Sports

Girls' cross country team repeated as state champion.

School: Oakton High School

Mascot: Cougars.

School Colors: Burgundy and gold.

Athletic Director: Pat Full, 703-319-2760.

Football Coach: Jason Rowley (fifth year).

The Cougars started 3-0 in 2014, lost their next four and then won two of their final three regular-season games to get to 5-5 and earn a postseason berth. Oakton lost to Lake Braddock 44-14 in the opening round of the 6A North region playoffs and ended the year with a 5-6 record.

Field Hockey Coach: Allison Ryneski.

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 won its second consecutive 6A state championship. Then-senior Allie Klimkiewicz placed third in the individual competition. The girls' basketball team finished 26-3, reached the state semifinals, and won Conference 5 and 6A North region titles. The girls' lacrosse team finished region and conference runners-up. The boys' soccer team



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The Oakton girls' cross country team won the 2014 6A state championship.

reached the region semifinals. The boys' cross country team finished fourth in the state. The volleyball team finished Conference 5 runner-up. The boys' and girls' tennis teams won state championships. The boys' swim and dive team won the state title. The girls' swim and dive team finished state runner-up.

Notable: The Oakton girls' lacrosse program has reached the state championship game seven times in 10 years since lacrosse became a VHSL sport in 2006. The Cougars won three straight state titles from 2006 through 2008, and won a fourth championship in 2012.

Quotable: "We thought that they [recognize] three teams on the podium. We were the second to go up there and they handed us the first-place trophy and we were just very confused." — Then-senior harrier Allie Klimkiewicz, who was part of an Oakton girls' cross country team that won the 2014 state title, but approached the podium thinking they finished second.



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Then-senior Mitch Blackstone and the Marshall baseball team finished 5A state runner-up in 2014.

Getting to Know South Lakes Sports

Baseball team qualified for regionals for first time since 2003.

School: South Lakes High School

Mascot: Seahawks.

School Colors: Royal Blue and Kelly Green.

Athletic Director: Linda Jones, 703-715-4517.

Football Coach: Trey Taylor (second year).

The Seahawks lost their first five games in 2014 and finished 2-8, with wins over Thomas Jefferson and Marshall.

Field Hockey Coach: Allison Woron.

Volleyball Coach: Mike Ware.

Boys' Basketball Coach: Andrew Duggan.

Girls' Basketball Coach: Christy Winters Scott.

Girls' Soccer Coach: Lauren Ebert.

Boys' Soccer Coach: Marty Pfister

Baseball Coach: Morgan Spencer.

Softball Coach: Carlos Soto.

Rival School: Herndon.

What happened last year: The baseball team qualified for regionals for the first time since 2003 and upset Conference 7 champion Lake Braddock in the first round. The boys' and girls' basketball teams qualified for regionals. The softball team finished 15-9 and qualified for regionals.

Notable: Grant Hill, who spent 19 seasons in the NBA with four different teams, graduated from South Lakes in 1990. The Detroit Pistons selected Hill No. 3 overall in the 1994 draft and the seven-time all-star went on to score more than 17,000 points with the Pistons, Orlando Magic, Phoenix Suns and Los Angeles Clippers. He won two NCAA national championships while at Duke University, and won a gold medal at the 1996 Summer Olympics with Team USA.

Quotable: "At the beginning of the year we had two goals: make the regional tournament and win the [conference]. Goal one is accomplished and now on to goal two. It's a great feeling and a huge win for our program in general." — Matt Wojciechowski, then a senior pitcher, after the South Lakes baseball team defeated W-L in the 2015 Conference 6 quarterfinals to earn the program's first regional berth since 2003.

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YEAR-ROUND ENTERTAINMENT

September 2015

ONGOING

JamBrew. Every Friday in September, beginning Sept. 4. 6-10 p.m. Town Green, 777 Lynn St. Herndon. Outdoor music festival. <http://jambrew.com/>.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 5

Lake Anne Jazz & Blues Festival. 1 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza (Waterfront), 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. Showcasing a variety of talented local emerging artists and national jazz performers. Visit <http://lakeanneplaza.com/event/9th-annual-lake-anne-jazz-festival/>.

MONDAY/SEPT. 7

Herndon Labor Day Festival. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn Street, Herndon. Downtown Herndon celebrates Labor Day with an annual festival - great music, a craft show, food, wineries, micro-brews and culinary demonstrations will all be there. Visit <http://www.herndon-va.gov/>.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/SEPT. 11-12

ChalkFest. Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Free for spectators, participants register for a fee which includes supplies. Rain or shine. Information: publicartreston.org.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 13

Reston Triathlon. 7 a.m. Lake Audubon, Twin Branches Road, Reston. Swim, bike and run in the

"Reston World Championships." Visit www.restontriathlon.org/tri.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 20

Herndon Kids Triathlon. 8 a.m. Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Avenue, Herndon. This kids triathlon gives youngsters an opportunity to compete in one of the fastest growing sports in the United States. The event is designed for any youth, ages 6-16, regardless of athletic ability or prior triathlon experience. Visit www.herndon-va.gov.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 26

Walk to End Alzheimer's. 10 a.m. Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Walk and fundraise to further the care, support and research efforts of the Alzheimer's Association. Visit http://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr_id=7382&pg=entry.

Reston Multicultural Festival. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. A celebration of the diversity and community spirit that is found in Reston, this annual event brings together the people of Reston to celebrate the rich medley of cultures. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com/MulticulturalFestival.shtml.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 27

NatureFest. 1-5 p.m. Runnymede Park, 195 Herndon Parkway, Herndon. Explore various nature stations throughout the park including butterflies, bees, life in the meadow, web of life and much more with live animal shows throughout the day. Visit www.herndon-va.gov.

October 2015

THURSDAY/OCT. 1

4th Annual Reston Town Center Help the Homeless Walk. 11:30 a.m. Reston Town Center, 11959 Market St, Reston. Walk from Mayflowers Floral Design Studio on The Promenade to the Embury Rucker Community Shelter and back. Funds will enable Cornerstones to provide essential resources and services for individuals and families in the community who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Visit www.cornerstonesva.org/events_list/hth.

SUNDAY/OCT. 4

HernDOG Bark Bash. 12-3 p.m. Bready Park, 814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. HernDOG Bark Bash is a free event for dog lovers with three hours of four-legged fun. The event will feature agility demonstrations, owner and dog team contests, adoptions, an off leash area and wide variety of dog themed vendors. Entry to HernDOG Bark Bash is free but fees may apply to vendor products or services. Friendly, leashed, and vaccinated dogs (and their owners) are welcome.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 10-11

Oktoberfest Reston. Saturday, 12-11 p.m. Sunday, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Enjoy food and drinks, live entertainment, a carnival and a chili cook-off at Northern Virginia's largest fall festival. Visit www.oktoberfestreston.com.

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