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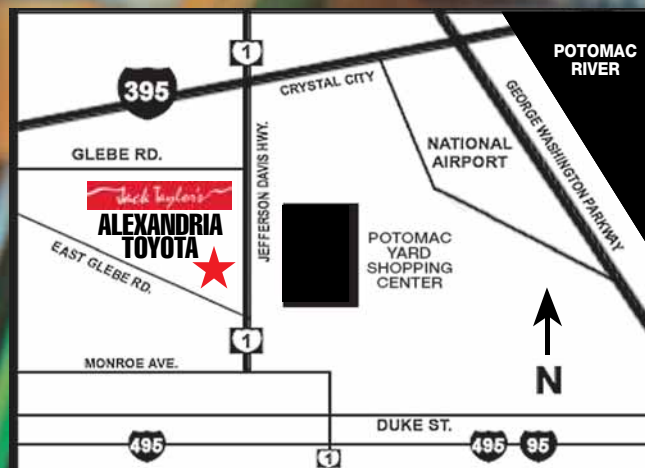
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John Geer's friend Jeff Stewart (center) speaks to reporters outside the Fairfax County Courthouse following Adam Torres' arraignment hearing. Torres was indicted Aug. 17 by a special grand jury and faces second-degree murder charges in the August 2013 shooting death of John Geer.



PHOTOS BY TIM PETERSON/THE CONNECTION

Commonwealth's Attorney Raymond F. Morrogh (center) speaks with reporters outside the Fairfax County Courthouse following the arraignment hearing for former Fairfax County Police officer Adam Torres. Judge Stephen Shannon denied Torres' counsel's request to set a bond; Torres was released to the custody of the Sheriff's Office. Both parties agreed to begin a jury trial on Dec. 14.

Torres Trial Date Set for December

Bond denied for former police officer charged with murdering John Geer.

BY TIM PETERSON
THE CONNECTION

Shortly after 10 a.m. on Aug. 19, former Fairfax County Police officer Adam Torres entered the circuit courtroom for his arraignment, dressed in a baggy, blue-green prison jumpsuit. Torres was indicted the previous Monday by a special grand jury for killing Springfield resident John Geer in August, 2013.

He was still an officer at the time and one of several who responded to a call from Geer's longtime partner Maura Harrington that Geer was throwing her belongings out on to the lawn of their Springfield home.

After the indictment, Fairfax County Police said Torres surrendered himself that evening at the County Adult Detention Center.

Circuit Court judge Judge Stephen C. Shannon placed Torres' arraignment first on his docket. The defendant's attorney John F. Carroll began by rebutting his client being held without bond until the trial. Murder qualifies as an offense for which bond is denied in Virginia, but it can be argued whether the person accused poses a flight risk or is a threat to the community.

Carroll stated the case that Torres, 32, immediately turned himself in, has no prior criminal record and has a wife and two children. As Hayfield and George Mason University graduate, Carroll said he doesn't think "you can find anyone with greater ties

to the community."

The attorney went on to summarize the Geer shooting incident, beginning to justify Torres by saying a handgun owned by Geer had been found on the scene "within reach, in our estimation," and that Geer had made "numerous erratic movements," prior to Torres firing.

And because the shooting in question was in Torres' performance of duties as a police officer, Carroll argued, "there's no reason for anyone to be fearful." Carroll then asked that a bond for Torres be set at \$25,000.

Commonwealth's Attorney Raymond F. Morrogh spoke after Carroll in opposition to the bond motion. "Not only did he kill Mr. Geer," Morrogh said, "but did so with malice." Morrogh later added that was the consensus of the special grand jury.

The prosecutor also referenced evidence that Torres had been in a "deteriorating mental state," saying the former police officer had fought with his supervisor and with his wife because he suspected her of infidelity.

Though Morrogh didn't disagree with Torres' connection to the community and lack of flight risk, "It's the first time I've seen a

police officer shoot someone who had his hands up," he said. "I think that makes him dangerous."

Judge Shannon reminded that, "We're not here to decide the merits of the case today, solely the bond."

Citing "some indications at the time of

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Commonwealth's Attorney Raymond F. Morrogh



the incident of a deteriorating mental state," Shannon denied Carroll's request for a bond to be set.

Torres and the attorneys were asked to stand while the details of his trial were negotiated. Carroll hoped to start early in 2016 while Morrogh was intent to begin as soon as possible.

The two parties settled on Dec. 14 to begin the trial, which Morrogh said he expected would last about a week. As the date was reached, Torres suddenly collapsed backward and fell to the ground.

Judge Shannon cleared the entire courtroom as the bailiffs rendered first aid and called a rescue team.

Torres was taken to a nearby hospital, Morrogh said afterwards, and his vitals were said to have returned to normal. The attor-

ney said it's not unusual for individuals to faint or pass out in the courtroom.

Outside the courthouse, Morrogh commented to reporters that though he's prosecuted judges and lawyers in his career, "It's rare to see a case like this — there's certainly no joy in it."

As for Torres being the first Fairfax County Police officer in 75 years to be charged with such an offense, Morrogh said he thinks "it's a really good thing that we don't have many of those."

"It's just the length of time this case has taken, that's not right," Morrogh said. "We have to have a finality to this."

Fairfax County had withheld much of the information about the case, including Torres' name, until Geer's family filed a \$12 million lawsuit against the Police Department.

Torres had been taken out of field work but remained employed by Fairfax County until he was fired in July of this year.

The county justified not releasing the information previously due to ongoing investigations by Police Internal Affairs, the Commonwealth's Attorney's office and the U.S. Department of Justice.

Jeff Stewart, Geer's best friend who witnessed the shooting and became a member of the Fairfax County ad hoc commission to review police practices, sat directly behind Torres during the arraignment. He had never seen the man face to face prior to that morning, and expressed sympathy for Torres and members of his family who were present at the hearing.

Stewart described having "mixed emotions" since the indictment. "I feel good for the process, and bad for the man," he said.

Torres' wife and family members declined to comment after the hearing.

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Mega Road Projects in Northern Virginia Keep Traffic Moving

In Northern Virginia, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is working to keep up with growth in the area with transportation projects at both ends of the spectrum. Whether it's a new highway overpass, intersection improvement, or high occupancy toll lanes, the goal at VDOT is to keep the traffic moving.

On the Capital Beltway (I-495), the 495 Express Lanes opened in 2012 to give motorists an option when traveling through this busy corridor.

Two additional lanes were constructed on the beltway in each direction between the Springfield Interchange (where I-95, I-495 and I-395 meet south of Washington) and a point on the beltway just north of the Dulles Toll Road. These lanes are free to vehicles with three or more occupants, while vehicles with one or two occupants will be able to use the lanes by paying a toll electronically.

The express lanes use dynamic pricing to manage the flow of traffic and keep motorists moving, and roadside equipment monitors traffic, adjusting toll prices periodically to maintain free-flowing travel.

As traffic increases, the toll price goes up to manage demand.

IN DECEMBER 2014, VDOT opened a 29-mile stretch of express lanes on I-95/395 between a point just north of Edsall Road in Alexandria, to Garrisonville Road (Route 610) in the south. These express lanes are reversible: on weekday mornings, the lanes head north to cater to commuters heading to busy employment centers like Tysons Corner and Washington, D.C.; and in the afternoons, the lanes head south. Again, vehicles with three occupants can use the 95 Express Lanes for free, while cars with one or two occupants can choose to use the lanes by paying a toll, which varies depending on the number of cars in the lanes at that time. All vehicles using the 495 or 95 Express Lanes need an E-ZPass, or an E-ZPass Flex, which has a switch to engage the toll-free option when there are three or more occupants.

Another highway construction project is underway at Seminary Road and I-395 in Alexandria. There VDOT is building a multi-faceted project that include a new 0.8-mile auxiliary lane on I-395

North between Duke Street and Seminary Road, as well as a new ramp from the HOV lanes to the Seminary Road bridge overpass, and a new pedestrian bridge over I-395.

These projects are intended to improve the flow of traffic associated with the Mark Center, a federal government building located in that area. The auxiliary lane opened in February with the HOV ramp and the stand-alone pedestrian bridge scheduled to open later this fall.

Other recently opened "Megaprojects" include the Fairfax County Parkway Extension, linking Springfield to Richmond Highway in southern Fairfax County; the fourth lane widening project, which added an extra lane on I-95 North and South between Springfield and Occoquan; the Telegraph Road interchange on the Capital Beltway in Alexandria; and the 495 Shoulder Lane project on the inner loop of I-495 between the 495 Express Lanes' northern endpoint and the George Washington Memorial Highway.

Similar to the shoulder lane on I-66, this shoulder lane is open during the morning and evening rush hours, with a red "X" or green arrow signaling its availability for travel.

In Arlington, just west of I-395, VDOT is putting finishing touches this summer on a new bridge carrying Washington Boulevard over Columbia Pike. This new bridge replaces a 1940's-era bridge, and includes bike and pedestrian access along Columbia Pike plus room for a future streetcar if needed. The bridge was renamed the Freedmans Bridge after the historical "Freedmans Village," a community the Federal government established in 1863 for newly freed slaves, that once occupied this area of Arlington.

VDOT officials are now looking to transform Northern Virginia's Interstate 66 into a multi-modal corridor that moves traffic and people quicker and in a more reliable way.

The project, known as Transform 66, is a multi-modal proposal that will to incorporate transit, carpooling and express lanes.

The project is divided into a 25-mile stretch between Haymarket and the Capital Beltway, and a separate project inside the beltway with a toll option for travel through Falls Church and Arlington.

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SUNDAY/AUG. 30

Blood Drive. 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, 6720 Union Mill Road, Clifton. Only 3 percent of the population will donate blood - if 1 percent more could be convinced, blood shortages could be eliminated. Appointments strongly preferred: <https://www.inovabloodsaves.org/index.cfm?group=op&step=2&opid=15209>

Burke Historical Society Meeting. 5 p.m. Abiding Presence Lutheran Church, 6304 Lee Chapel Road, Burke. Speaker, Carol Bessette, will give a presentation on "World War II Washington."

First Responders Day. 1-4 p.m. Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road. Re-enactors and modern practitioners will demonstrate emergency and medical practices of today and 150 years ago. \$2-\$4.

MONDAY/AUG. 31

PJ Library Book Buddies. 10:30 a.m. Fairfax

Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Enjoy Jewish storybooks from the PJ Library and make a craft. Ages 6 months to adult. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fx/>

English Conversation. 7 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Practice speaking English with others and improve your skills. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/SEPT. 4-6

50th Reunion. Annandale High School class of 1965, 50th reunion will be the weekend of Sept. 4-6. Visit www.annandaleclassof65reunion.com for information and registration.

ONGOING

Run/Walk/Ride Group. Every Saturday in August at 6:45 a.m. at 6951 Spaniel Road. Whether you walk, run or ride, come out and enjoy the fellowship and the time for personal fitness with conversation along the way. Feel free to invite a friend. For questions or to lend a hand with future Run/Walk/Ride dates, please contact Amy Poe at thepoes1@cox.net or 703-975-3209.

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OPINION

Schools Need Support at All Levels

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COMMENTARY

It is encouraging to read in a recent Connection commentary by Jim Corcoran, president and CEO Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce (“Now Is Time to Unite for Education”), that the chamber is taking seriously the funding crisis facing Fairfax County Public Schools. Mr. Corcoran is absolutely right that K-12 spending at the state level has not kept pace with rising enrollments and costs. In fact, Virginia now ranks in the top 10 nationally in measures of wealth, but in the bottom 10 in support for public schools. Virginia ranks 41st out of 50 states in K-12 funding.

After eight years of painful budget cuts, the deep deficit FCPS faces for FY 2017 — perhaps in the range of \$100 million — is certainly due in part to chronic underfunding of public schools at the state level. However, the relative share of state and county contributions to the FCPS operating budget has not changed

in that time. The annual transfer from the Fairfax County government to the schools has also not kept pace with growing enrollments and costs. FCPS is spending \$1,000 less per child, in real dollars, than in 2008 - the state and county governments share this responsibility.

Mr. Corcoran correctly points out that FCPS has received increased funding from the county over the years. It is important to note that during the last eight years, however, enrollment growth and rising costs have outpaced increased revenue by \$500 million. In FY 2015, for example, the county increased the transfer to the school system by 3 percent resulting in an increase in revenue of \$51.5 million. In that same year, FCPS experienced unavoidable cost increases totaling \$78 million: a required increase to the Virginia Retirement System of \$38.9 million; health rate increases of \$19.9 million; and enrollment growth of \$19.5 million.

To balance the cumulative effects of inadequate budgets since 2008, FCPS has had to raise class size three times and forego regular teacher step increases four times, budget choices that are simply not sustainable. In that time the relative share of county and state funding has not changed, so both funding bodies are responsible for the very challenging position FCPS finds itself in today.

It is past time for school systems, local governments, PTAs, employee associations and businesses throughout Virginia to join forces and hold the General Assembly accountable for its responsibility to fully fund K-12 education in every corner of the Commonwealth. The Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce has an opportunity to lead the business community in that fight.

I hope the chamber also takes a leading role in local advocacy for full funding of FCPS for FY 2017 and beyond. As Mr. Corcoran has often said, great public schools are the smartest investment we can make in our local economy. We are stronger together.

Some Recommendations To Improve Law Enforcement

BY CLAIRE GUTHRIE GASTAÑAGA
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
ACLU OF VIRGINIA

COMMENTARY

The following open letter was addressed to Michael Herschman, chair of the Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission.

We commend the members of the Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission for their work to ensure that the Fairfax County Police Department encourages a culture of public trust in law enforcement. As you know, this trust is key to ensuring a safe community.

Ensuring public trust in the FCPD will require a shift in its culture and mindset and the reassertion of civilian authority over the policies that guide policing in the county. At the foundation of this shift are the concepts and values of constitutional policing and respect for the sanctity of human life — concepts and values that should be in the DNA of all law enforcement personnel. As such, these concepts and values should provide the foundation for the Commission’s recommendations and should guide all policies and procedures adopted and implemented by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and the FCPD.

We believe the following recommendations, if implemented, will help achieve the needed shift in the FCPD’s culture and mindset. These recommendations, many of which outline policies that the supervisors should adopt as elected officials responsible to the residents they serve, include:

❖ Understanding Policing in a Democratic Society – Law enforcement are the guardians of the U.S. Constitution, thus the FCPD should initiate department-wide training to ensure its personnel understand the mission and role of police in protecting constitutional rights and

the sanctity of human life, prioritizing de-escalation, and ensuring a duty to intervene if another officer uses excessive force.

❖ Emphasizing Mental Health Training – Embracing the sanctity of human life requires law enforcement to differentiate between a person who needs mental health care and a criminal offender who poses a serious threat. Training FCPD officers to distinguish between criminal offenders and individuals in need of mental health services will also better ensure that the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center does not also serve as a mental health facility.

❖ Establishing a Civilian Review Board – The establishment of a civilian review board with investigatory and discipline authority can be an effective tool for enhancing trust between the FCPD and Fairfax residents. It does so by making the FCPD more transparent and accountable to the people.

❖ Funding and Mandating Police Body Worn Cameras – If, and only if, proper policies and procedures are in place for their use, body cams can be a win-win. They can both protect the public from police misconduct and protect the police from false allegations of abuse.

❖ Ending the War on Drugs - Drug use is a public health issue, and the Commonwealth, the County Board, and FCPD should implement policies and procedures to deal with it as such. Drug policies must be evidence-based and incorporate prevention, treatment, and public safety elements. The end of the war on drugs should begin with a policing policy that deprioritizes enforcement of marijuana possession and includes supervisors’ advocacy for decriminalization of possession by the Commonwealth.

❖ Mandating Data Collection – To ensure that the FCPD is not engaged in racially biased policing, the supervisors should adopt a policy requiring the FCPD to collect, analyze, and publish an annual statistical report covering all FCPD stops, frisks, citations, arrests, and use-of-force incidents.

❖ Restricting the Use of SWAT – The supervisors should adopt a policy limiting use of SWAT to scenarios in which there is a likelihood that the situation for which the FCPD deploys a SWAT team presents an imminent threat to the lives of civilians and/or police personnel.

❖ Reforming Civil Asset Forfeiture – Policing should be based on public safety, not supplementing the FCPD’s budget. The supervisors should determine as a matter of policy that the FCPD should use asset forfeiture only when: 1) a person has been found guilty of a crime; 2) the convicted person is the owner of the property; and 3) the government has proved by clear and convincing evidence that the owner/offender either used the property in the commission of the crime or received the property as a result of the crime.

❖ Enhancing Existing Policies, Practices, and Laws Regarding Police-involved Incidents – Law enforcement should focus on de-escalation techniques and ensure that any use of force tool used is the least severe for the situation at hand, including a recognition that some less-lethal force options are less severe than others are.

While there is no silver bullet to ensuring a safe and effective police force, with restoration of effective civilian oversight the recommendations we have made will help restore public trust by making the FCPD a model for what policing in a democratic society should look like. We urge their adoption.

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From left, Dan Fransell, Helen Fransell, Reba Morse, Foster Morse, Paul Tompkins and Kris Tompkins were among volunteers who helped collect litter from Old Colchester Rd.

Volunteers Clean Up Old Colchester Road

Ten volunteers offered up their Saturday morning to clean up Old Colchester Road in Lorton. The team, which included members of the Mason Neck Lions Club and Civic Association, Del. Dave Albo (R-42) and his son, collected 14 bags of litter, a tire and other assorted trash, according to environmentalist Joe Chudzik of Mason Neck.

Lions Club members Reba and Foster Morse also

worked on removing litter from Hassett St. close to the Harbor View community.

Saturday's efforts followed a clean-up on Friday: Employees of the nearby Noman M. Cole Jr. Pollution Control Plant worked on the roadside by the plant.

— TIM PETERSON

Fairfax Police Helicopter Crew Live-Tweets

Fairfax County Police helicopters are neither birds nor planes, but their crew got slightly more avian as they "live-tweeted" experiences from inside the hangar and helicopter through Twitter on Aug. 26.

The helicopter unit provides air support to officers on the ground, emergency rapid medical transport, search and rescue advantages and "other specialized air support as needed," said a release from Fairfax County Police.

The department's official Twitter handle @fairfaxpolice followed along with the helicopter crew from 11 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. and described the ins and outs of the job. Followers of the hashtag #ffx1tweet were able to ask questions of the crew themselves.

— TIM PETERSON

The Twitter handle @fairfaxpolice live-tweets experiences from the Fairfax County Police Department helicopter on Aug. 26.



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This recovery seminar and support group is for those needing encouragement for the grief journey. Grief Share is a nondenominational video seminar series featuring some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on grief and loss. Some topics include: "Is This Normal?", "Challenges of Grief," "The Journey of Grief," "Guilt and Anger," and "What Do I Live For Now?" Childcare can be arranged

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Carter Murray (left) works with volunteers he organized to shore up trails along the Long Branch Stream Valley public path.

The Path to Eagle

Boy Scouts team
up with Friends
group to improve
public trails.

BY TIM PETERSON
THE CONNECTION

On the morning of his service project, Carter Murray of Fairfax realized he'd forgotten a small but vital detail: Food.

It took two months to develop the project: shoring up sunken, well-worn trails of the Long Branch Stream Valley with special gravel provided by the Fairfax County Park Authority. Murray had to get the plans approved by the leadership of his Burke-based Boy Scout Troop 1965, the Boy Scouts of America Patriot District representative, as well as the County.

"I had to make sure all the aspects were covered," he said. "I didn't plan for lunch."

At 7:30 a.m. on Aug. 22, the rising W.T. Woodson High School senior compiled a shopping list and "hit the Giant" grocery store. By the time volunteers arrived for a 9 a.m. kickoff at the Woodland Way entrance to the trail, he and his mother Aimee Murray had all the necessary supplies ready to feed the work force.

"He learned a lot in the last 24 hours," said Aimee, whose family moved to the area a year and a half ago. The day before the project was complicated by a Woodson football practice which was postponed and extended into the evening. Carter lined up as an inside slot wide receiver in the Cavaliers' spread offense.

Though her son had maturely made arrangements with the Friends of Long Branch Stream



Dennis Hosken (left) of Springfield and Casey French (right) of Burke are members of Burke-based Boy Scout Troop 1965. They helped spread gravel to improve the trail that's part of the Long Branch Stream Valley path.

Valley nonprofit service organization and local civic and homeowners associations to drum up manpower, seeing it all pull together was still an experience.

"It's been great," Carter said. "I'm really impressed with the community," Aimee said, "and the amount of people who came from different areas and said, 'We're here to help.' And all the people out on the trail on bikes and walking who've said thanks, or said where there's another low spot."

Alex Buchanan, of Annandale, was among local residents who came out to help with the project. His mother heard about it through the Stone Haven Civic Association, one of several Carter contacted. "We use the trail a lot," Buchanan said.

When the Eagle Scout-hopeful was trying to conceive of a service project, one of the requirements to obtain the highest full rank in Boy Scouts, he got connected with Scott Thaxton of Annandale. Thaxton is vice president of the Friends of Long Branch Stream Valley, a nonprofit organization like several others in the area dedicated to maintaining and cleaning specific public trails, streams and the surrounding environment.

"We help support what the Park Authority can't do, be a stopgap for them," said Thaxton, who suggested the trail maintenance idea to Murray. Earlier this summer the Friends group received the Best of Braddock award for Club or Organization Making a Difference.

"They'll dump the gravel," Murray said, "but they have no manpower to spread the trail and maintain it." The volunteers Murray organized worked on several stretches of trail, roughly 200 feet each.

Richard Russell of Burke is the assistant scoutmaster for Troop 1965. "You'll be able to notice there's a trail now with this," he said. "It's an exciting, good project, and lots of exercise."

Younger scouts from Troop 1965 Dennis Hosken of Springfield and Casey French of Burke were also part of the effort. "We're here for the service hours towards a rank," Hosken said while the pair used rakes to spread gravel, "and to help with the community too."

For more information about Friends of Long Branch Stream Valley, visit longbranchstream.weebly.com.

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Roman Lowery, seen during the 2014 season, is one of three Robinson starting running backs whose listed weight is at least 200 pounds.

Robinson Football to Lean on Physical Running Back Trio

Vossler returns for second season as Rams head coach.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

Injuries and the rigors of a Conference 5 schedule derailed a promising start to Scott Vossler's head-coaching career.

Vossler became the Robinson football program's third head coach in as many years and fourth in five seasons in 2014. He led the Rams to six straight victories to open the campaign, including a 19-17 win over rival Lake Braddock on the Bruins' home field. But as schedule difficulty increased and injuries took a toll, the Rams closed the regular season with a four-game losing streak before ending the year with a 50-23 loss to South County in the opening round of the 6A North region playoffs.

Nine months later, Vossler is back as Robinson head coach — the first time since 2012 a Rams head coach returned for a second season.

"Coach Vossler is just a great coach to be around," rising senior running back Dajon Lee said. "[He] coaches well; [he] takes care of us [and] that's why I like him even better. It was a great transition [when he was hired]. They picked a great head coach."

Vossler said he learned from his inaugural season as Robinson head coach. And thanks in part to a trio of big, sturdy running backs, he is hopeful the Rams will be the ones dishing out physical punishment in 2015, rather than succumbing to it.

Rising seniors Lee (6 feet 2, 220 pounds) and Sean Foncha (5-11, 205) and rising junior Roman Lowery (6-0, 205) have the size and ability to accumulate rushing yards while wearing down a defense. Lee and Lowery are halfbacks in Robinson's wing-T offense and Foncha is a fullback.

"They're all big, strong boys and they're not slow," Vossler said. "We really think that's going to be an asset for us. We think we can run them at people

and hopefully this year we can put some damage on the defense instead of our backs getting dinged up. We think that's the strength of our offense. We feel good about our offensive line, but with those three horses in the backfield, we feel like we should be able to go toe-to-toe with people."

Helping set a physical tone are returning offensive linemen Nick Bernacchi (6-3, 265), Lars Stevenson (6-1, 200) and Mason Velasquez (6-2, 225). Bernacchi, a rising junior, is the Rams' right tackle. Stevenson, a rising senior, is the left guard. Velasquez, a rising senior, has moved to tight end. Rising senior Wes Richmond (6-1, 185) is a pass-catching tight end.

Rising junior quarterback Alex Miller (6-0, 185), who started Robinson's final five games last season, is the likely starter this year. Rising junior Matt Oakley (6-0, 185), a starter in the secondary, could also see time at quarterback.

On defense, the Rams will run a base 3-4 scheme. Donnie Warter (5-11, 185) is Robinson's top returning linebacker. The rising junior makes the move from outside backer to inside.

"Warter's been fantastic throughout the summer and early in camp," Vossler said. "He was a great player for us last year as a sophomore. ... He's making plays all over the field."

Warter said he feels more confident on the field. "Last year, I was a little unsure about myself," he said, "so this year I have more confidence and more knowledge about the varsity level."

Rising senior defensive end Ieuan Israel (6-1, 220) figures to be a difference-maker on the line.

Robinson faces a daunting 2015 schedule that includes eight opponents that qualified for the 2014 postseason, seven of which won at least one playoff game. The Rams will open on the road against West Springfield at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 4. Robinson's first home game is Sept. 11 against Woodson.

"We feel like we're several weeks ahead of where we were at this time last year," Vossler said, "just because it's our second year going through and we just think we're a lot better at it."

CALENDAR

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Children & Teen Book Sale. 1-8 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Plenty of books as well as CDs and DVDs.

FRIDAY/AUG. 28

Midsummer on a Playground. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. This adaption of Shakespeare's classic A Midsummer Night's Dream is told by a traveling magician, his assistant and some unsuspecting "volunteers." Tickets: \$10-\$12.
Library Playdate: Toddlers. 10:30 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Play with other toddlers at the library. Ages 1-2 with adult. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>
Preschool Story Time. 10:30 a.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Build your child's early literacy skills while enjoying stories, songs and activities. Ages 3-5 with adult. Sign up required. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fx/>
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Art of Movement Class on the Quad. 8 a.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Enjoy a free pilates class - no experience is necessary, bring your own mat.
Teen Art and Digital Media Contest Award Ceremony. 10:30 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Winners of the Art and Digital Media Contest will be announced and prizes awarded. Ages 12-18. Teen. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>
Family Math Games. 2 p.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Games for all levels with tips for parents to use at home to improve math and

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Mount Vernon Nights 2015: Ryan Shupe and The Rubber Band. 7-8 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. This five man-band, hailing from the Salt Lake City, Utah, is a breath of fresh air with their organic approach to performing. Free admission.

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THURSDAY/SEPT. 3

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Bakery, LLC trading as JC's
Springfield Restaurant &
Bakery, 6315 Backlick Rd
#199, Springfield, VA 22150.
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applying to the VIRGINIA
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rents, Jim and Nancy, his brothers, Michael and Kevin, and
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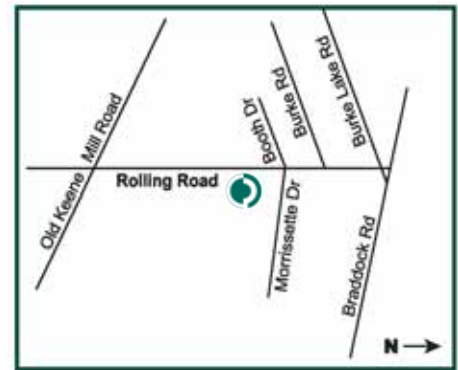
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Homes are finished selling in the new Gambrill Pointe subdivision.



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From left, Bob Farr, Wegmans Virginia division manager; Jennifer Stickles, Wegmans marketing; Heather Gole, Wegmans Virginia human resources division manager; Mike Dempsey, Alexandria Wegmans store manager; Jo Natale, Wegmans vice president of media relations and Linda Lovejoy, Wegmans community relations manager.

Neighborhood Development Outlook Update

Gambrill Pointe subdivision
Gambrill Pointe Court and Ridge Creek Way.
These 20 homes on roughly 11 acres are built and finished selling.

Park Pointe subdivision East side of Gambrill Road, near the Fairfax County Parkway.

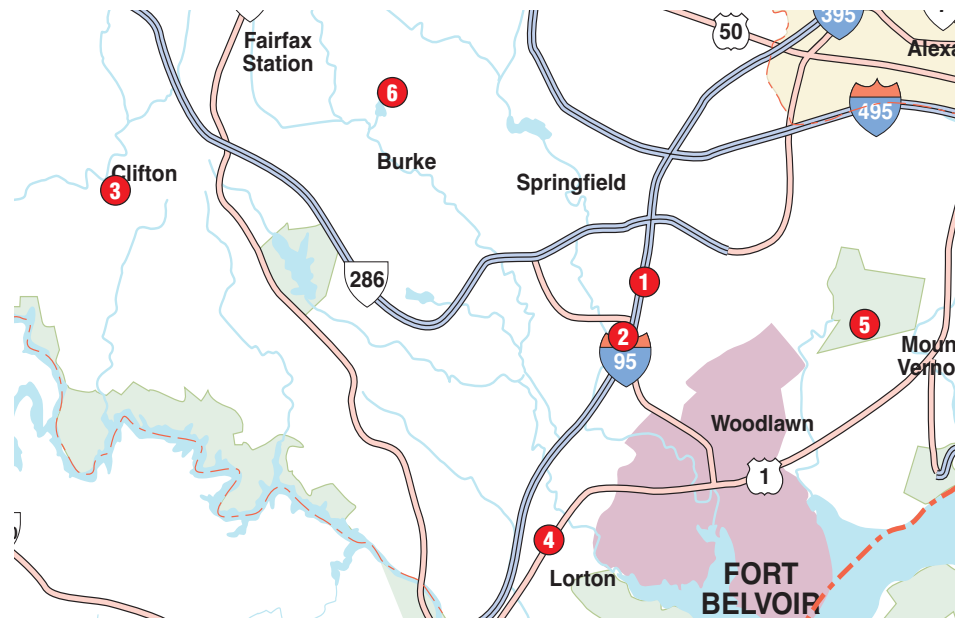
Eighteen single-family homes on 7.7 acres have been approved; the plan is still under site review.

Corbet Manor around 7717 Gambrill Road.

Seven single-family homes are going into 4.5 acres of what were previously unconsolidated parcels of land. The project has been approved, but construction is pending.

Monopole in Clifton around 12895 Clifton Creek Road.

The Clifton Creek substation of Dominion Virginia Power already has a monopole on a 95-acre site around 12895 Clifton Creek Road, however Dominion and Verizon



Wireless have applied to move the pole to a different location with more height. The plan was recommended for approval by the Planning Commission on June 17. The Board of Supervisors approved the plan July 28.

Vulcan Materials Graham Quarry 10000 Ox Road.

Vulcan and the Fairfax County Water Authority have proposed repurposing the quarry as a reservoir to hold between 16 and 17 billion gallons of water. This requires

a rezoning and zoning exception, which the Board of Supervisors approved at the group's June 2 meeting.

Wegmans at Hilltop Village Center (corner of Telegraph Road and Beulah Street)

The long-awaited grocery experiencing destination opened June 14. The 126,000 square-foot store includes a full-service "Pub" bar-restaurant.

Woodglen Lake Dredging Fairfax Station

Fish relocation to Lake Accotink took place in November 2014. The lake's water has already been completely drawn down, and the notice to proceed with dredging was given to the contractor on April 7. The \$3 million project is in progress and projected to be completed in October of this year. During fish relocation, workers discovered invasive Grass Carp fish and Gizzard Shad, a species not normally found in lakes.

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Population: **14,875**
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Owner-occupied housing units: **4,555 (92.6%)**
Households with individuals under 18 years: **2,095 (42.6%)**
Households with individuals 65 years and over: **878 (17.9%)**
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Mean family income: **194,486**
Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: **15.9%**

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African American-742 (4%), American Indian and Alaska Native-46 (0.3%), Asian-1,964 (10.7%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-766 (4.2%)
Total housing units: **6,283**
Owner-occupied housing units: **5,793 (96.4%)**
Households with individuals under 18 years: **2,461 (40.9%)**
Households with individuals 65 years and over: **1,459 (24.3%)**
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Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: **18.6%**

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Total housing units: **11,063**
Owner-occupied housing units: **7,730 (71.3%)**
Households with individuals under 18 years:

4,983 (46%)
Households with individuals 65 years and over: **1,439 (13.3%)**
Median household income: **96,056**
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Total housing units: **10,849**
Owner-occupied housing units: **8,951 (85.5%)**
Households with individuals under 18 years: **4,403 (42.1%)**
Households with individuals 65 years and over: **1,904 (18.2%)**
Median household income: **136,561**

Mean family income: **157,918**
Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: **28.9%**

Zip code: **22152**
Population: **28,500**
Race: **White-19,323 (67.7%), Black/African American-2,252 (7.9%), American Indian and Alaska Native-105 (0.4%), Asian-4,548 (15.9%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-3,778 (13.2%)**
Total housing units: **10,503**
Owner-occupied housing units: **8,535 (82.1%)**
Households with individuals under 18 years: **3,879 (37.3%)**
Households with individuals 65 years and over: **2,347 (22.6%)**
Median household income: **113,135**
Mean family income: **142,586**
Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: **28.6%**

Source: U.S. Census 2010; American Community Survey 2012

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Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) visiting the Children's Science Center Lab: "A fantastic museum."

Springfield Supervisor's Top Five Places

Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) recommends top places to visit in his district.



Pat Herrity

schools both academically and athletically in the country. As a West Springfield High School alumnus there's few things I enjoy more than getting to a football game in the fall where there's a buzz in the air and a little snap of cold from the changing seasons. So cheer on your local high school team at West Springfield, Lake Braddock,

Fairfax, Chantilly, South County, Robinson or Centreville (nationally ranked in 2015).

4. WSHS Job Fair: On March 12, 2016, I will be hosting a job fair for teens and recent graduates at West Springfield High School. The last one I hosted was a great success with over 35 local companies looking for employees. Many students got jobs right at the job fair, and others were given opportunities to interview at a company. This is a great way to connect our youngsters with our business community, so if your child is looking for full time or part time employment mark your calendar for March 12 and sign up to my email list where I will publish more details by emailing springfield@fairfaxcounty.gov. I am planning a second job fair in the western part of the district.

5. The Children's Science Center Lab: The newly opened Children's Science Center Lab in Fair Oaks Mall is a fantastic museum that allows children (and their parents) to get hands on experience with STEM concepts (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). Education is so important, and this museum which is designed for kids between 2 and 12 years old does an excellent job of challenging and shaping young minds. Be sure to stay and shop and/or eat at one of the best malls in the area.

— SUPERVISOR PAT HERRITY
(R-SPRINGFIELD)

INSIDER TIPS FOR NEWCOMERS

Your favorite events, places in Clifton?

PHOTOS BY TABITHA TIMM/THE CONNECTION

Sarah Heaton, student at George Mason University, resident for 17 years:

"Halloween is my favorite holiday. I used to love going door-to-door collecting candy and then counting it all at the end of the night with my friends. However, this activity wasn't nearly as fun as what would come next: The Haunted Trail. The Haunted Trail in Clifton takes place at Buckley Park, it turns an ordinary field into a scary and creepy walkthrough, where terrifying creatures and characters will put on a show, and even follow you through the path. The community works very hard to put on a show—you won't want to miss it."



Catherine Timm, administrative patent judge, resident for 17 years:

"My favorite place in Clifton to eat is the Villagio. It's Italian food – they serve very nice salads and small plates. They have a beautiful outdoor seating area with umbrellas and a waterfall, it's very relaxing."

Bill Hollaway, mayor of Clifton/attorney, resident for 23 years:

"One of the reasons you want to come is it's a national historic district and it's a turn of the century railroad town. But, it's living history - you can come and see a national historic district, but it's alive. You can get coffee, you can go to a pub, you can get cupcakes, get brick oven pizza, go to the shops, other restaurants, bars, ice cream, it's all there. That's what makes it such a great place."



Phyllis Lovett, works for Fairfax County Public Schools, resident for 23 years:

"I think people would enjoy coming because what's interesting about the town of Clifton, besides the history, is that there are a lot of businesses in town; we have restaurants, shops, and all sorts of businesses. And a lot of the people that own the businesses actually live in the town of Clifton; you can learn a lot about the color of the community by talking to the owners who are also residents."

Margo Khosravi, works at the Clifton General Store, resident for 40 years:

"The Main Street Pub is one of my favorite places for the wonderful ambiance and the music on Wednesday nights and because they feed me so well. My other favorite thing is just wandering around the woods and the trails, like our Eight-Acre Park in Clifton, looking for wildlife and walking my dogs."



— TABITHA TIMM

There are so many quality places to visit in the Springfield District, it is hard to pick five. Here is my attempt:

1. Burke Lake Park: Burke Lake Park is the most visited park in Fairfax County's Park system, and after going there you will see why. The park contains a trail that goes around the lake and is great for walking (with or without your dog), running and cycling. There is also fishing, boat rentals, camping, disc golf, mini-golf, an 18 hole golf course, a driving range, volleyball courts and a miniature train ride. There's something for everyone.

2. Clifton: Clifton is a beautiful town that feels like you're a million miles from the hustle and bustle of Fairfax County. It is tucked away in the southwestern portion of the Springfield district. There are regular events such as Clifton Day, the Labor Day Car Show and the Clifton Wine Festival that attract visitors from all over Northern Virginia, but I personally like going there when it feels like I can have the whole place to myself and I can enjoy the excellent restaurants there and get a "Pat Herrity Root Beer Float" from Peterson's Ice Cream to finish the day.

3. Friday Night Lights: The Springfield District has some of the best high

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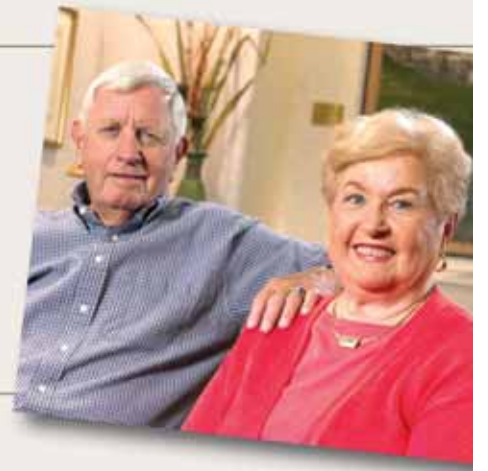
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Here in our Newcomers and Community Guide, we've included an expanded and updated version of our award-winning Insider's Guide to the Parks, plus details of how to vote in the upcoming elections, information on local government, nonprofits and business organizations, plus tips and tidbits from the community.

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SATURDAY/SEPT. 12

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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)
Home: Fairfax Station
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Challenger:
Arthur G. Purves (R)
Home: Vienna
Email Address: arthur@votepurves.org
Phone: 703-938-0242
Web - VotePurves.org
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Challenger:
Glenda Gail Parker (Independent Green)
Home: Alexandria
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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: Springfield District Supervisor

Incumbent:
Patrick S. “Pat” Herry (R)
Home: Springfield
Email Address: patherry@gmail.com
Phone: 703-222-7341
Twitter @PatHerry
Campaign website – patherry.org

Challenger: Corazon S. Foley (Independent Green)
Home: Burke
Email Address: corazonfoley@yahoo.com
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ANSWERS: HERRY

1) I am a firm believer that government closest to the people – the Board of Supervisors – must be the most responsive. I take pride in the job I do working to resolve residents issues – from land use, to public safety, to schools, to transportation and neighborhood blight. I also believe communication is critical and I hold townhall meetings, attend HOA meetings, and publish a newsletter – sign up at: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/herry-report-newsletter.htm>. – I look forward to serving you.

2) The Town of Clifton for Clifton Day, Paradise Springs Winery, Burke Lake Park almost any day, and the Children's Science Center Lab at Fair Oaks Mall.

3) I prefer playing sports but like

Corazon S. Foley



watching the Washington Capitals and Virginia Tech Football.
4) #WSHSJobs – I will be holding my second annual job fair for teens and recent graduates at WSHS on March 12, 2016.

ANSWERS: FOLEY

1) As full-time Springfield Supervisor, I will provide leadership and community engagement for affordable taxes to maintain outstanding school system and safe neighborhoods. Vote for me, Corazon S. Foley, because the incumbent is not doing his job of constituent service to improve our quality of life, particularly for seniors. In particular, he has ignored our proposed solutions to redress unfairness toward Springfield senior taxpayers and families: other districts have 17 permanent senior centers, Springfield District NONE!

2) My three Burke history books describe former Coffey properties in Springfield: Burke/Coffey home (1825); and Braddock: Second Coffey Home (1790); Little Zion Baptist Church (1891).

3) The Burke/West Springfield Senior Center Without Walls (BWSSCWov) Line Dance Teams won for three years the gold and silver medals in the Northern Virginia Senior Olympics – and have been providing public service with free performances at numerous community events.

4) #BuildSpringfieldSeniorCenter

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Race: Lee District Supervisor

Incumbent:
Jeffrey C. McKay (D)
*Running Unopposed
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Phone: 703-501-7752

Jeffrey C. McKay



ANSWERS: MCKAY

1) The County Board is the elected body closest to the people and has the most direct impact on residents' quality of life—everything from zoning enforcement to schools, libraries, parks, human services and transportation. We set the property tax rate. We are where residents go for information and assistance, often for matters involving the state and federal government even when they are not our responsibility.

2) The new Springfield Town Center—light years away from its predecessor and a vibrant shopping and dining center that appeals to residents and visitors alike.

3) The Saints

4) #FBHeadquartersinSpringfield

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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.VPAPorg/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: \$4,854

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: \$2,147

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) Incumbent Money Raised: \$167,871. Money Spent: \$96,446. Balance: \$78,878.
Glenda Parker (I) Money Raised: \$0. Money Spent: \$0. Balance: \$0

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The 38th Annual Burke Centre Festival will take place Sept. 12-13 to celebrate the spirit of the community with rides, activities and live entertainment for all ages to enjoy.

LIST COMPILED BY ABIGAIL
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A LIST OF ANNUAL COMMUNITY EVENTS IN
THE AREA.

August 2015

SUNDAY/AUG. 30

29th Annual Pakistan Independence Day Festival USA. Noon. Bull Run Regional Park, 7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville. The Pakistan Independence Day Festival includes musical performances, rides and games. Visit www.pakistanfestivalusa.com.

September 2015

SATURDAY/AUG. 1 - SUNDAY/SEPT. 13

Annual Workhouse Clay National Ceramics Exhibition. Workhouse Arts Center, W-16 Vulcan Gallery, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. This exhibition represents the depth and breadth of contemporary functional and sculptural ceramic artworks being created throughout the country. Visit <http://www.workhousearts.org/events/visual-arts/workhouse-clay-national-2015>.

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

16th Annual Labor Day Car Show. 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Historic Clifton. Antiques, classics, foreign, customs, motorcycles and more. Pre-register by Aug. 24. www.labordaycarshow.com. All proceeds benefit local charities.

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.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 12

Lorton's Fall Festival. 11 a.m. Lorton Station Town Center, 8998 Lorton Station Blvd., Lorton. Enjoy a magic booth, pumpkin painting, photo booth, games, prizes and more. Visit www.lortonstationtowncenter.com/calendar-of-events.html for more.

Great Tastes of Tysons. 1-6 p.m. Lerner Town Square Tysons II, 8025 Galleria Drive, Tysons



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On Oct. 11, celebrate Clifton Day, the town's annual arts and crafts fair from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. on the corner of Main Street and Chapel Road.

Corner. Over 100 international different wines, beers, and spirits in an all-you-care-to-taste affair. Enjoy the best of D.C. chefs in hands-on grilling demonstrations in the drink. Eat. Relax. <http://www.tastetysons.com/>.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/SEPT. 12-13

38th Annual Burke Centre Festival. Saturday, 9:30 a.m.- 5 p.m. Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 6060 Burke Centre Parkway, Burke. Burke Centre's signature event, which celebrates the spirit of the community each year with rides, activities and live entertainment for all ages to enjoy. Visit www.burkecentreweb.com and click on Festival.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 19

Dulles Day Plane Pull. 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Dulles International Airport. Teams of 25 are pitted against one another to see who can pull a 164,000+ pound Airbus 12 feet the fastest in Special Olympics Virginia's "heaviest" fundraiser. Visit www.planepull.com.

Beer, Bourbon & BBQ Festival. 12-6 p.m. 8025 Galleria Drive, McLean. Attend for a day of beer sippin', bourbon tastin', music listenin', cigar smokin' and barbecue eatin'. Your admission buys a sampling glass so you can enjoy all you care to taste while attending seminars in the tasting theater and enjoying live music all day. Visit <http://www.beerandbourbon.com/tysons/show-info>.



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Students race to the finish line in their homemade cardboard boats as part of the community celebration, Springfield Days, taking place every year at the end of May.

[MulticulturalFestival.shtml](http://www.fairfaxva.gov/about-us/special-events/fairfax-irish-folk-festival).

20th Annual CCE Irish Folk Festival. Noon-7:30 p.m. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax and The Auld Shebeen Irish Pub, 3971 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. All are invited to enjoy, free of charge, the "pure drop" - the beauty and depth of Irish music, dance, language and sport as it has taken root and come into full flower in our community. Visit <http://www.fairfaxva.gov/about-us/special-events/fairfax-irish-folk-festival>.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/SEPT. 26-27

Workhouse Fall Arts Festival 2015. Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Over 100 of the nation's best artists will exhibit their original fine art and crafts. The two-day outdoor festival will include work by artists from across the Mid-Atlantic region, showcasing paintings, photography, ceramics, sculpture, jewelry, handcrafted furniture and much more.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 27 - SATURDAY/OCT. 3

Annual Fall for the Book Festival. George Mason University, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. A week-long, multiple-venue, regional festival that brings together people of all ages and interests. Featured authors are National Book Award winner Tim O'Brien and "Outlander" author Diana Gabaldon. Visit www.fallforthebook.org.

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.

SATURDAY/OCT. 3

Art in the Courtyard. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Lorton Station Town Center, 8998 Lorton Station Blvd., Lorton. Artists from the Workhouse Arts Center, the Torpedo Art Factory and artists from Historic Occoquan will be featuring their works including paintings, jewelry, sculpture, photography, blown glass, pottery, wood work,

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Children enjoying an amusement ride at last year's Fairfax Fall Festival. This year's festival will be on Oct. 10



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and even digital artwork. Each artist will display and sell their work from booths lining the Courtyard. Festival guests will have the opportunity to talk to the artists, get to know them, and ask questions about their stories and inspirations.

SUNDAY/OCT. 4

McLean Project for the Arts ArtFest. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. McLean Central Park, 468 Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean. The park is transformed into a lively landscape of mini art galleries showcasing and offering for sale the work of a diverse group of juried artists. Visit www.mpaart.org.

SATURDAY/OCT. 10

Fall Festival in Old Town Historic Fairfax. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 10209 Main Street, Fairfax. What started out as a small market for artisans has grown to a festival with over 400 arts, crafts and food vendors, children's activities and entertainment for all ages. Visit <http://www.fairfaxva.gov/about-us/special-events/fall-festival>.

SUNDAY/OCT. 11

Clifton Day. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Town of Clifton, corner of Main Street and Chapel Road. The town's annual arts and crafts fair.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 17-18

Claude Moore Colonial Farm 1771 Market Fair. 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Warm yourself by the fires and enjoy the splendor of autumn with crisp local apples, warm savory meat pies and hearty breads, or let Market Fair entertainers, tradesmen and the militia amuse and educate you. Visit www.1771.org.

Tyson's Harvest Festival. 12-5 p.m. Lerner Town Square, 8025 Galleria Drive, Tysons. Stroll through the arts and crafts booths and taste some of the fun flavors of fall. Visit www.tysonsharvest.com.

SATURDAY/OCT. 24

Clifton Haunted Trail. 7-10 p.m. Chapel Road, Clifton. A terrifying annual event that winds through Clifton's 8 Acre Park. Visit cliftonhauntedtrail.com.

November 2015

SATURDAY/NOV. 14

The Robinson Marketplace. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. 5305 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. Shop at over 80 vendors at the Holiday Market, raffle and silent auction sponsored by the Robinson Secondary School PTSA. Visit www.robinsonptsa.org.

SATURDAY/NOV. 21

Turkey Trot 5K Race. 4 p.m. Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Avenue, Herndon. The course takes you through Herndon Centennial Golf Course grass and paved paths, parts of the W&OD paved trail and vehicular paved road. All canned food will be donated to LINK. Visit www.herndon-va.gov.

FRIDAY/NOV. 27

Reston Holiday Parade. Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Reston Holiday Parade on Market Street, tree lighting at Fountain Square, and much more through the day of charity and cheer. Rain or shine.

MONDAY/NOV. 30

Church Street Holiday Stroll. 6-9 p.m. Freeman House and Store, 131 Church St. N.E., Vienna. Enjoy fun family-friendly activities including a visit from Santa, petting zoo, free hot chocolate and roasting marshmallows at supervised bonfires. Visit www.viennava.gov.

December 2015

SATURDAY/DEC. 5

City of Fairfax Festival of Lights and Carols. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Come enjoy live holiday music, hot cider, s'mores by the Yule log, petting farm, ferris wheel, caroling and lighting of the Christmas tree in the winter wonderland. Visit www.fairfaxva.gov/about-us/special-events/festival-of-lights-and-carols for times and locations.

January 2016

FRIDAY/JAN. 8 - SPRING

Live Music at Paradise Springs Winery. Fridays 5-9 p.m. and Saturdays 2-6 p.m. 13219 Yates Ford Road, Clifton. Various live artists perform every Friday and Saturday. Visit www.paradisep Springswinery.com/winery-events.html.

April 2016

FRIDAY/APRIL 15-MAY 15

Destination Fairfax: Annual Spotlight on the Arts Festival. Dedicated to showcasing the very best of the visual and performing arts in the City of Fairfax, Fairfax Spotlight on the Arts is an annual three-week festival comprising artists in and at local venues.

May 2016

FIRST WEEKEND IN MAY

Fairfax Fine Arts Festival. Fairfax Corner, 11900 Palace Way, Fairfax. A fine art festival in the heart of Fairfax. Visit www.paragonartevents.com/fairfax2/html/artist_application.html.

FOURTH SATURDAY IN MAY

Springfield Days. A community-wide celebration that harkens back to the good old days. Visit www.springfielddays.com

June 2016

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 10-12

Celebrate Fairfax! Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Northern Virginia's largest annual three-day festival and community-wide celebration at the Fairfax County Government Center. Visit www.celebratefairfax.com.

FOURTH SATURDAY IN JUNE

Clifton Wine Festival. 7150 Main St., Clifton. Virginia vineyards and wineries come together for a day of wine, food, arts and crafts. Visit www.cliftonwine.com.

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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

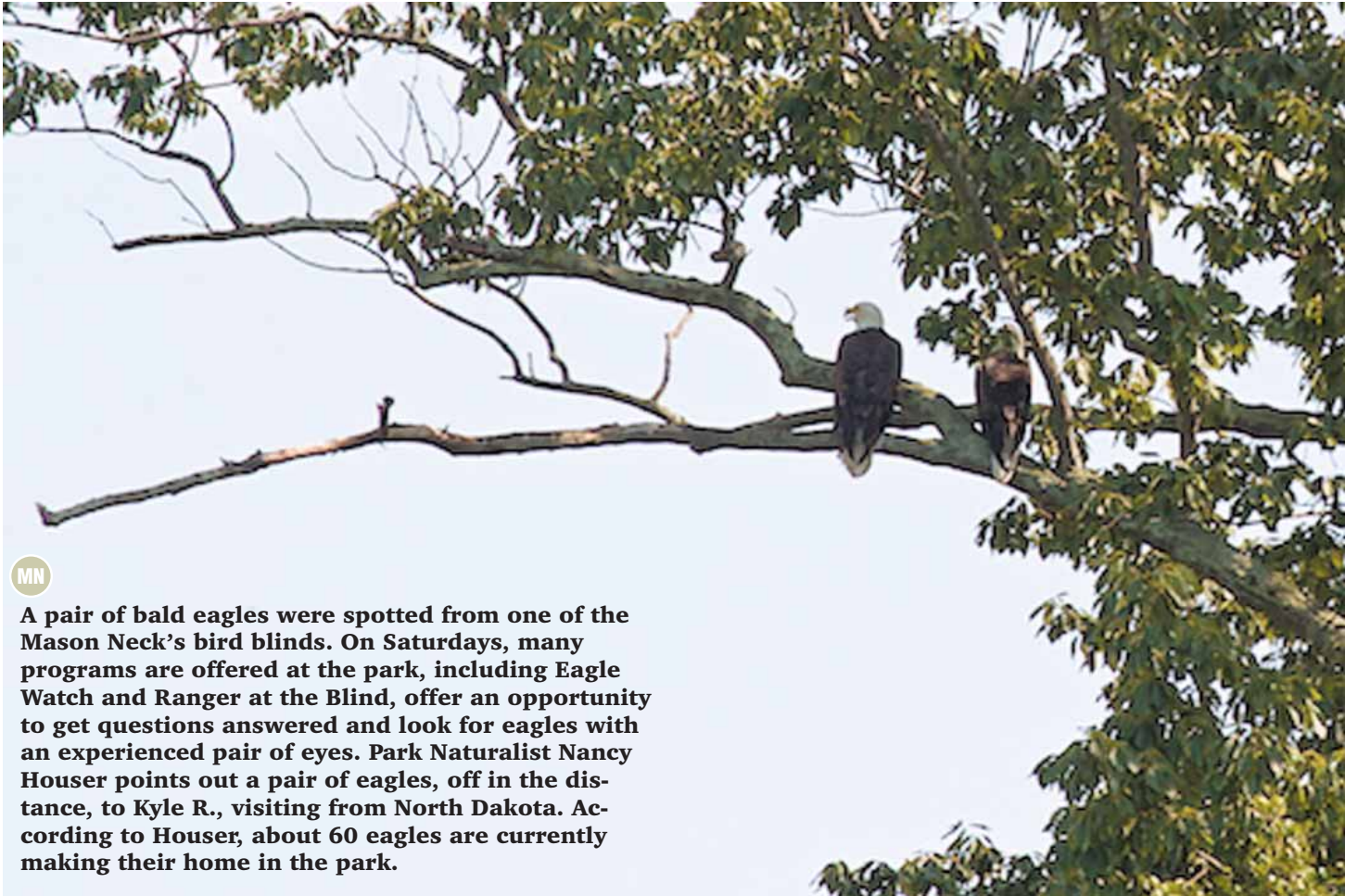
This park offers 400 acres of recreational space and a touch of the past with its historic brick kilns and the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial. Park lands, trails and associated waters are part of the Fairfax Cross-County Trail. Kayak rentals. One hour Tour Boat Rides on the Occoquan River to Belmont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



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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

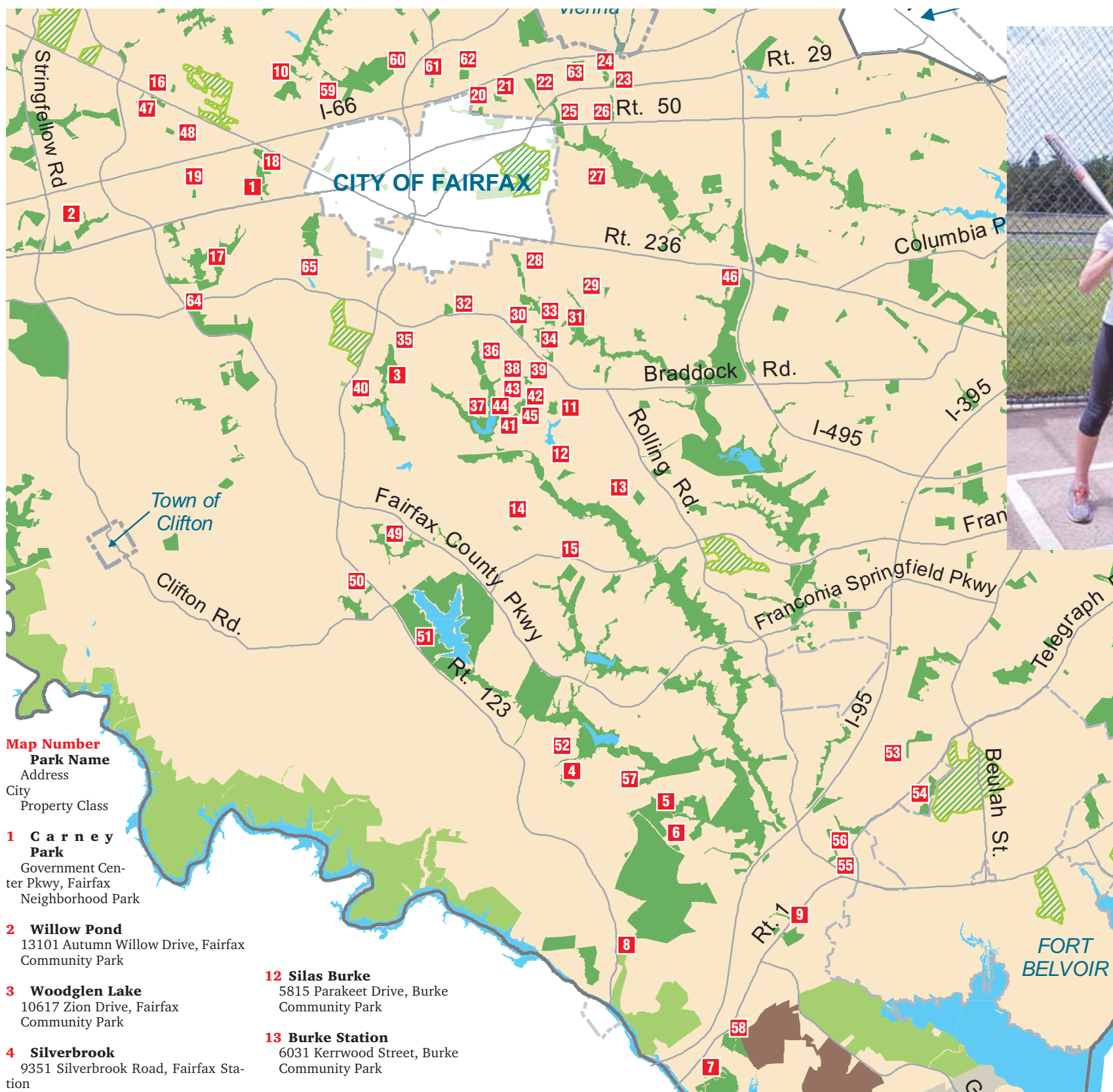
WFP Wakefield Park & RECenter
8100 Braddock Road, Annandale
softball, soccer/football, basketball, tennis, recenter, biking, fitness trail, skate park
292.6 acres, multiple resource park



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

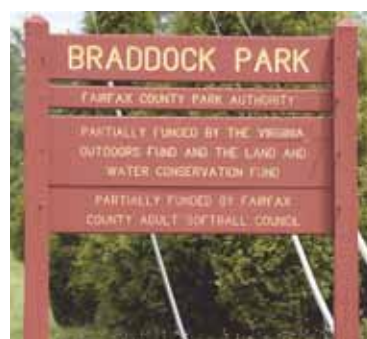
PARKS

A GUIDE TO FAIRFAX COUNTY PARKS IN THE BURKE, FAIRFAX & FAIRFAX STATION/LORTON/CLIFTON AREAS



Juliana S., of Fairfax, came with her family to practice at the batting cages.

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 RENÉE RUGGLES
 FEATURING BURKE LAKE PARK, BRADDOCK PARK & BURKE STATION PARK



Braddock Park is located in Clifton. In addition to baseball facilities, there is a picnic shelter that can be reserved.



The Lord of Life Softball Team, from Fairfax and Clifton, came to Braddock Park for practice.



The park offers a large piece of playground equipment, with multiple choices for active children.

Shan Wang, from Burke, cheers, as she watches her shot go in. Along with Eric Audia, also of Burke, she came to shoot hoops in the Burke Station Park basketball court.



Burke Station Park is a shady little spot tucked away in the Burke Station Square neighborhood.

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| 21 Mosby Woods
9813 Five Oaks Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 30 George Mason
9700 Braddock Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 39 Twinbrook Road
5124 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | Neighborhood Park | 56 Pohick Estates
7450 Pollen Street, Lorton
Community Park |
| 22 East Blake Lane
9540 Bel Glade Street, Fairfax
Community Park | 31 Rutherford
4710 Guinea Road, Fairfax
Community Park | 40 Middleridge
5425a Governor Yeardeley Drive,
Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 48 Ox Hill Battlefield
4134 West Ox Road, Fairfax
Cultural Resource Park | 57 Newington Commons
8915 Hooes Road, Lorton
Neighborhood Park |
| 23 Villa Lee
2901 Hunter Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 32 University
10200 Braddock Road, Fairfax
Community Park | 41 Greenfield
5349 Guinea Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 49 Poburn Woods
6325 Wendy Ann Court, Fairfax Sta-
tion
Community Park | 58 Mason Neck West
10418 Old Colchester Road, Lorton
Community Park |
| 24 Hideaway
2900 Glenvale Drive, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 33 Olde Forge
4604 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 42 Monticello
5315 Guinea Road, Fairfax
Community Park | 50 Brimstone
6600 Ox Road, Fairfax Station
Neighborhood Park | 59 Tattersall
3405 Miller Heights Road, Oakton
Community Park |
| 25 Towers
9350 Arlington Boulevard, Fairfax
Community Park | 34 Surrey Square
4819 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 43 Kings Park West
5216 Pommeroy Drive, Fairfax
Community Park | 51 Burke Lake & Golf Course
7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station
Multiple Resource Park | 60 Oak Marr
3200 Jermantown Road, Oakton
Multiple Resource Park |
| 26 Armistead
8900 Arlington Boulevard, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 35 Country Club View
10609 Henrico Street, Fairfax
Community Park | 44 Lakeside
5216 Pommeroy Drive, Fairfax
Community Park | 52 Lake Mercer
9500 Silverbrook Road, Fairfax Sta-
tion
Multiple Resource Park | 61 Borge Street
3030 Borge Street, Oakton
Neighborhood Park |
| 27 Eakin (Mantua Section)
8928 Glenbrook Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 36 Crooked Creek
9910 Commonwealth Blvd., Fairfax
Community Park | 45 Herzell Woods
5328 Guinea Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 53 Levell W Dupell
6812 Newington Road, Lorton
Community Park | 62 Blake Lane School Site
10033 Blake Lane, Oakton
Community Park |
| 28 Smokewood
4120 Whitacre Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 37 Royal Lake
5344 Gainsborough Drive, Fairfax
Community Park | 46 Fairfax Hills
4304 Holly Lane, Annandale
Neighborhood Park | 54 Mount Air Historic Site
8600 Accotink Road, Lorton
Cultural Resource Park | 63 Briarwood
2830 Zimpel Dr., Fairfax
Community Park |
| 29 Ashford East
4300 Guinea Road, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 38 Rolling Woods Estates
5208a Marvell Lane, Fairfax
Neighborhood Park | 47 Fair Ridge
12300 Meadow Field Drive, Fairfax | 55 Southgate
7438 Pohick Road, Lorton
Neighborhood Park | 64 Patriot
12111 Braddock Road, Fairfax
District Park |
| | | | | 65 Mountain Road District
15620 Braddock Road, Fairfax |



Asrat Akmu, of Springfield, helps his daughter Joy try her hand at fishing on the pier. Burke Lake has ample room for fishermen and can be accessed by those with disabilities. According to its website, largemouth bass are in good supply at the lake.



The lake covers 218 acres and offers boat rentals. Private craft with electric motors are also welcome.



David Meyer and his son Jonathan, of Springfield, relaxed at their campsite. The pair came for a boys' only campout at Burke Lake. The park offers a large campground with 100 sites, a camp store, playground, and bathhouse.



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The South County boys' basketball program won its first conference championship in 2015.



PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE CONNECTION

The Lake Braddock boys' cross country team won the 2014 state championship.

Getting to Know Area High School Sports

South County

Highlights: Boys' basketball team won Conference 7 championship.

School: South County High School.
Mascot: Stallions.
School Colors: Navy blue, forest green and silver.
Athletic Director: Leah Conte, 703-446-1675.
Football Coach: Gerry Pannoni (fifth season).
 The Stallions finished 10-2, won a share of the Conference 7 championship and reached the 6A North region quarterfinals.

Volleyball Coach: Trista Barnhart.
Field Hockey Coach: Angela Bashore.
Boys' Basketball Coach: Travis Hess.
Girls' Basketball Coach: Patrick Noel.
Baseball Coach: Robbie Smith.
Softball Coach: Gary Dillow.
Boys' Lacrosse Coach: Dale Nalls.
Girls' Soccer Coach: Nina Pannoni.
Rival School: Hayfield.

What happened last year: The volleyball

team went 26-4, won the Conference 7 championship and reached the region semifinals. Then-sophomore gymnast Collea Burgess won the conference all-around championship, helping the Stallions win the team title. The boys' lacrosse team won the conference championship and reached the region quarterfinals. The boys' basketball team won the conference title. The baseball, girls' basketball, girls' soccer and softball teams finished conference runners-up. The field hockey team reached the region quarterfinals.

Notable: The boys' basketball and gymnastics programs each won their first conference championships in 2015. The boys' basketball team entered the conference tournament as the No. 7 (lowest) seed and defeated T.C. Williams, Lake Braddock and Woodson to win the title.

Quotable: "It's overwhelming. We came from the seventh seed. ... We worked hard to get here and we finished it out." — Then-freshman guard Isaiah Borders after the boys' basketball team won the Conference 7 title.

Lake Braddock

Highlights: Boys' XC, boys', girls' indoor, outdoor track won region titles.
School: Lake Braddock Secondary School.
Mascot: Bruins.
School Colors: Purple and gold.
Athletic Director: Mike Clark, 703-426-1001.
Football Coach: Jim Poythress (12th season).
 The Bruins finished 10-3, won their sixth consecutive Conference 7/Patriot District title and reached the region semifinals.

Volleyball Coach: Aubrey Eaton.
Field Hockey Coach: Marie Bounds Bullock.
Cross Country Coach: Michael Mangan.
Boys' Basketball Coach: Brian Metress.
Girls' Basketball Coach: John Giannelli.
Baseball Coach: Jody Rutherford.
Boys' Soccer Coach: Joe Soos.
Rival School: Robinson.

What Happened Last Year: The boys' cross country team won the 6A state championship. Then-senior Alex Corbett won the individual state

title. Teammate Kevin Monogue placed second. The girls' cross country team finished state runner-up, led by a second-place finish by Kate Murphy. The boys' and girls' outdoor track and field teams and indoor track teams won 6A North region titles. The baseball and softball teams won Conference 7 championships.

Notable: The boys' cross country team's 2014 state championship was the program's first since 1987.

Quotable: "One of the last things we talked about [prior to the race] was, this is business. We have done all our investing, we picked all the right stocks, we think, we've done all that and now it's time to cash in on our investment. This is just business."

— Lake Braddock cross country coach Michael Mangan about the boys' team's approach to the state meet.

Members of the 2015 Robinson boys' lacrosse team celebrate winning the state championship.



PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE CONNECTION

Robinson

Highlights: Boys', girls' lacrosse teams won state championships.

School: James W. Robinson Secondary School
Mascot: Rams.
School Colors: Blue and gold.
Athletic Director: Jeff Ferrell, 703-426-2125.
Football Coach: Scott Vossler (second year).
 The Rams finished the 2014 regular season with a 6-4 record and qualified for the playoffs before losing to South County in the opening round.

Volleyball Coach: Meghan Johnson.
Boys' Basketball Coach: Brian Nelson.
Girls' Basketball Coach: T.J. Dade.
Wrestling Coach: Bryan Hazard.
Baseball Coach: John James.
Boys' Soccer Coach: Robert Garza.
Boys' Lacrosse Coach: Matt Curran.
Girls' Lacrosse Coach: Liz Case.
Rival School: Lake Braddock.

What happened last year: The boys' and girls' lacrosse teams won 6A state championships. Wrestlers Austin Riggs (145 pounds) and Cole

DePasquale (182) won state titles. The gymnastics team repeated as Conference 5 champion. The softball team went 18-6, won the conference title and reached the region semifinals. The field hockey team finished 16-5 and qualified for regionals.

Notable: The Robinson boys' and girls' lacrosse teams each won state titles in 2015, marking the first time boys' and girls' teams from the same school won states in the same year since lacrosse became a VHSL sport in 2006. The boys' program has won four state championships, twice going back-to-back (2006-07, 2014-15). The girls' program finished state runner-up in 2006 and 2009.

Quotable: "I do like how we had a little more [adversity] this year, losing to them twice. We felt like the underdog coming in and I think that helped us out a little bit."

— Then-senior Chapman Jasien after the 2015 Robinson boys' lacrosse team repeated as state champion with a 10-9 double-overtime win against Chantilly in the 6A state final. Robinson lost to Chantilly in the Conference 5 and 6A North region championship games earlier in the season.

Woodson

Highlights: Boys' basketball team made third straight appearance at states.

School: W.T. Woodson High School.
Mascot: Cavaliers.
School Colors: Navy blue and white.
Athletic Director: Dan Checkosky, 703-503-4681.
Football Coach: Mike Dougherty (second year).
 The Cavaliers lost their final five games in 2014 and finished with a 2-8 record.

Volleyball Coach: Len Palaschak.
Field Hockey Coach: Meg Jarrell.
Boys' Basketball Coach: Doug Craig.
Girls' Basketball Coach: Aseem Rastogi.
Baseball Coach: Brett McColley.
Boys' Soccer Coach: Andrew Peck.
Girls' Soccer Coach: Warren Williams.
Boys' Lacrosse Coach: Ryan Hilliard.
Girls' Lacrosse Coach: Patrick Mahler.

What happened last year: The boys' basketball team finished runner-up in the 6A North region and qualified for the state tournament. The girls' soccer team won the Conference 7 championship and reached the region semifinals. The boys' soccer team finished conference runner-up and reached the region semifinals. The girls' lacrosse team won the conference championship and reached the region quarterfinals. The boys' lacrosse team was conference runner-up and reached the region quarterfinals. The field hockey team upset T.C. Williams in the opening round of the conference tournament and reached the region quarterfinals. Tennis players Jason Kros and Ryan Kros won the state boys' doubles championship. Jason Kros finished state runner-up in boys' singles. Alexis Merrill was state runner-up in girls' singles.

Notable: The Woodson boys' basketball program has qualified for the state tournament each of the last three seasons. In 2013, the Cavaliers overcame a 19-point fourth-quarter deficit to beat



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Then-senior Eric Bowls scored 20 points in his final game as a member of the Woodson boys' basketball team.

Wakefield in overtime in the AAA Northern Region final. Woodson beat Battlefield in the state quarterfinals before losing to Henrico in the semifinals. In 2014, the Cavaliers defeated Lake Braddock in the 6A North region final despite having lost to the Bruins three times earlier in the season. Woodson would lose to Landstown in the state semifinals. In 2015, the Cavaliers lost to eventual state runner-up Westfield in the region final. Woodson then lost to Colonial Forge in the state semifinals.

Quotable: "Our community, everybody knows, has been through some difficult things the last few years and I think boys' basketball is one of the things that's kind of uplifted not only the school and the kids, [but] the whole community. Our student support, our fan support I think is second to none. I don't know if anyone else down here will bring 10 busloads of kids." — Woodson boys' basketball coach Doug Craig after the Cavaliers lost in the 2015 state semifinals.

NEWCOMERS & COMMUNITY GUIDE

Visit Area Landmarks



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Gunston Hall: Lorton

Virginia is a state prominently known for its rich American history. About 240 years ago, in the lands that are now filled with suburban houses, cities and highways, was a place in which the founding fathers discovered ways to run a country. To appreciate this unique time period, people from all over the world travel to the homes of James Madison, George Washington and Thomas Jefferson. However, many people often forget the home of George Mason, a man who played a significant role in the creation of America's democracy. Gunston Hall is the 18th century plantation home of George Mason, located in Lorton.

"It [Gunston Hall] has so much to offer," said tour guide, Dawn Callaway.

"You learn about architecture, agriculture and history."

Gunston Hall provides a variety of museum programs and tours that exemplify the beauty of colonial architecture and display a typical day in colonial America. It is located 20 miles south of Washington, D.C. on the Potomac River at 10709 Gunston Road, Mason Neck, and is open from 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily. Don't miss out on the opportunity to see an incredible piece of history. For more information on programs and events, visit www.gunstonhall.org.

Mason Neck State Park: Lorton

In 1969, an audacious young woman named Elizabeth Hartwell showed men and women all over the country that a housewife can make a tremendous difference. One day, as Hartwell was exploring the land, which is now known as Mason Neck State Park, she spotted an eagle's nest in a tree and found it to be quite interesting. Unfortunately, she had also found out that the government had planned to build a community and airport in that same area. Through diligent advocacy and dedication, Hartwell managed to prove to the government that the land was necessary for eagle nesting and feeding. As a result, the Mason Neck State Park became the first eagle preservation park in America and encouraged

other states to take action as well.

Now it stands as an educational program facility for kids all ages and a stable environment for eagles and other wildlife. Family and friends also visit the park to experience boating and hiking adventures. For more information on the various programs, summer camps, and events at Mason Neck State Park, visit http://www.fws.gov/refuge/mason_neck/. It is located in High Point Road, Lorton.



Town of Clifton

Not only is it the home to 294 people in the southwest of Virginia, but the Town of Clifton also remains a great piece of history. During the civil war, two engagements between the Union army and the Confederate army took place at Sangster's station, a train station located about one mile from the town. Almost every house in the area also holds a unique piece of history. As you walk around from house to house, signs are kept outside that describe who built it, what it was built for and the architectural purpose behind it. The Town of Clifton is also known

for its quaint and picturesque looks. Adults enjoy visiting the old-fashioned antique and wine shops, while kids usually go to visit the famous Peterson's Ice Cream shop. The Town of Clifton is located in Main Street, Clifton.



Hemlock Overlook Regional Park: Clifton

Whether it's for a school trip or a day with the family, the Hemlock Overlook Regional Park includes activities that entertain all kinds of groups of people. The park has only one wish in return; and that is for its guests to understand the importance of teamwork.

Through activities such as, zip-lining, rope courses, and rock climbing, the park also serves as an Outdoor Education Center operated by an ACA Accredited camp. The name, Hemlock was originated due to the large amount of hemlock trees in the area. The Hemlock Overlook Regional Park is

known for its famous hiking trails, beautiful forest scenery, and canoeing adventures. For more information on programs and events taking place in the park, visit http://www.nvrpa.org/park/hemlock_overlook/. The park is located in Yates Ford Road, Clifton, Virginia.

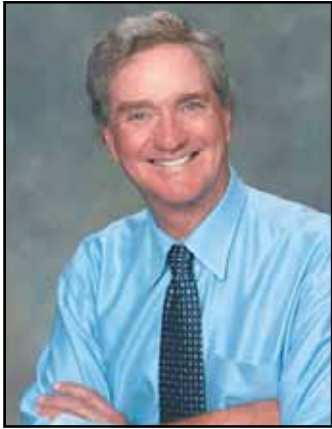


Workhouse Arts Center: Lorton

After years of living in an unsanitary and overcrowded prison, D.C. prisoners gained hope for a better life as they transferred to the Workhouse building in the 20th century. The new prison taught prisoners skills such as making bricks, blacksmithing and agricultural work. The labor was eventually supposed to help prisoners become self-sufficient and healthy as they enter back into the real world. Opportunities at the Workhouse still exist today. However not for prisoners. In 2002, the building and 2324 acres was sold to Fairfax County. Later that year, the Lorton Arts Foundation established the

building as a cultural arts center.

Today, hundreds of events, programs and classes are offered at what is now called the Workhouse Arts Center, located in Lorton. Every Saturday at 7 p.m., families go to enjoy live music, delicious food and beautiful artwork. Dance, yoga, Pilates, and various forms of art classes are offered as well at the Workhouse Arts Center. For more information on programs, events, and classes visit <http://www.workhousearts.org/>. The Workhouse Arts Center is located in 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton.



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Dear Neighbors,

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to Dr. Erika Anderson, who joined our practice as an associate earlier this year. Dr. Anderson is a double graduate of Creighton University, earning her B.S. in Biology from the College of Arts and Sciences and her D.D.S. from the Creighton School of Dentistry. Although originally from North Dakota, Dr. Anderson fell in love with Northern Virginia after multiple educational experiences here during her college years, and she has practiced in the area for the past five years.

Dr. Anderson is a member of the Academy of General Dentistry, the American Dental Association, the Virginia Dental Association, and the Northern Virginia Dental Society. Dedicated to staying up-to-date on the latest dental innovations, Dr. Anderson has completed over 200 hours of continuing

education, including programs at the Dawson Academy and the Koils Center. At our practice she will be a participating dentist for both Delta Dental and United Concordia.

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So please join us in welcoming Dr. Anderson to our practice. We are thrilled to have her and are confident that she has a bright future. And as always, thank you for the many referrals of your family and friends, and for your continued support.

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