

Springfield District Report - June 2004

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Supervisor McConnell Seeks Support for Low Occupancy Ramps (LOVs)

In a letter to her constituents, Supervisor McConnell seeks support for accessing northbound I-95 through the design and construction of a Low Occupancy Vehicle ramp and for the full design of the Bonnie Mill Road interchange. She notes that if access is not constructed, she can envision a “perpetual grid-lock along Old Keene Mill Road creating a future need to expand Old Keene Mill Road to 6 or even 8 lanes.” To read the complete letter, [click here](#).

Road Widening Projects Begin June 18

Starting on or around June 18, 2004 until September 7, 2004, [Random Hills Road](#) will be closed to allow for widening of the existing roadway from Fairfax Hills Road to Grey Finch Drive. During this period, it is suggested that alternative routes be used to get to destinations to or around the Fairfax County Government Center or Fairfax Corner. For further information call Jonathon Smith of the Peterson Companies at 703-227-2000.

Also, [Burke Lake Road](#), between Lee Chapel and the Fairfax County Parkway, will be closed from June 18 to September 7 for improvements. These improvements consist of widening Burke Lake Road to four lanes, installing turn lanes, and enhancing sidewalk and bike facilities. Burke Lake Road will be closed to all traffic between Windward Drive and Timarron Cove Lane. For further information call Jim Mottley of the Virginia Department Of Transportation (VDOT) at 703-383-2690.

Boards, Authorities, and Commissions (BACs) Openings

Citizen advisory bodies play a very important role in county government. Supervisor McConnell is looking for a Springfield District representative for the following BACs:

- [Human Services Council](#)
- Advisory Social Services Board

If you are interested in serving on any of these BACs, please contact [Dianne Peikin](#), Supervisor McConnell’s Administrative Aide, at 703-451-8873, TTY 703-455-6691. For further information on the various BACs, see the [BACs Website](#).

Celebrate Fairfax! 2004 Scheduled For June 11-13

Celebrate Fairfax! 2004 is just a couple weeks away, and final touches are being set for the 23rd annual festival at the Fairfax County Government Center, June 11-13. For more information go to their [website](#).

CPSC Launches Drowning Prevention Campaign

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) has launched a drowning prevention campaign as part of an intensified initiative to prevent the tragic drowning of 250 children under the age of 5 annually in swimming pools. In addition to two public hearings, the CPSC is broadcasting a video news release nationwide to promote pool safety, participating in local pool safety events, and promoting drowning prevention on its [website](#).

Land Use Meeting Scheduled For August 3

The Springfield District Fairfax Center Land Use Committee will meet in August to review an application for residential townhomes on the south side of Post Forest Drive, east of its intersection with West Ox Rd. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 3, at 7 p.m. in conference rooms 4 & 5 in the Government Center. For further information on land use committee meetings and minutes of past meetings, see its [website](#). Please note there are no land use meetings scheduled for June and July. See you in August!

Homeowner and Civic Association Contacts – We Need Your Help!

Supervisor McConnell’s staff is updating its homeowner and civic association contact information in order to do a better job of keeping you and your fellow association members informed about district and county events. For example, we use these addresses to let you know about public hearings, land use and community meetings. If your association has recently changed officers or you believe we currently do not have the correct information, please let us know so we can update our list. Please contact [Marlae Schnare](#), Supervisor McConnell’s Administrative Aide, at 703-324-2500, TTY 703-455-6691.

Community Room Available for Non-Profit Groups

The West Springfield Governmental Center offers not-for-profit community groups the opportunity to reserve (for free) meeting space in the Community Room. All organizations wishing to reserve the Community Room call [Dianne Peikin](#), Supervisor McConnell’s Administrative Aide, at 703-451-8873, TTY 703-455-6691.

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