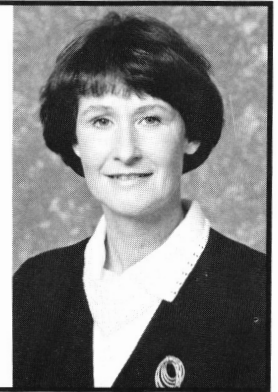


# ***BRADDOCK BYLINE***

***Braddock District Supervisor Sharon Bulova***

***4414 Holborn Avenue, Annandale, Virginia, 22003***

***Tel: (703) 425-9300, Fax: (703) 503-9583***



September, 1993

Since the Interstate Highway System began in the mid '50s, federal policies have rewarded highway construction and encouraged use of automobiles. Northern Virginia is a prime example of this national trend. This summer, we experienced the consequences of the auto-dependent suburban lifestyles we all enjoy. While flying into Dulles Airport in June, I overheard someone remark to the stewardess that it looked like we were flying into Los Angeles with all the brown haze hugging the landscape. Throughout the summer, when driving into the District of Columbia, I could sometimes barely see the Washington monument through the heavy smog. Radio stations warned us to avoid exercise and the outdoors on particularly bad days.

Under the CLEAN AIR ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1990, the Washington D.C. Metropolitan area is designated as a "serious" non-attainment area for ozone pollution. We are federally mandated to forward a plan, which will reduce polluting emissions by 15%, to the State by October 20th. The State must then adopt its plan and forward it to the Environmental Protection Agency by November 15th. A plan showing how the region will meet ozone standards is due a year later (November '94). Sanctions for not meeting the federal requirements are very severe and include the loss of federal transportation funding.

Another federal law, ISTEA (the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act), attempts to soften the effect of the Clean Air Act Amendments. It allows funds formerly restricted to road construction to be spent on all modes of surface transportation, including mass transit, bicycle and pedestrian projects. Shifting gears to get maximum benefit from the new, more flexible, funding formula is not easy. As the region sorts through these challenging issues, I am reminded of the Chinese curse, "May you live in interesting times".

We all care about our environment - the air we breathe, the water we drink. It is important that measures we adopt to achieve a cleaner environment are ones that we understand and will support. My TOWN MEETING on September 28th beginning at 7:30 P.M. will give you an opportunity to be a participant in these important discussions. Learn more about the Council of Governments' proposed solutions and the costs of the various alternatives. I hope you will join me at Little Run Elementary School on Olley Lane. For those of you who are unable to attend, the Town Meeting will be carried live on Cable channel 16. There will be an opportunity for viewers to call in with questions and comments.

Additional TOWN MEETINGS are scheduled in March to discuss our FY 95 COUNTY BUDGET and in May to focus on EDUCATIONAL ISSUES and the appointment of the Braddock District SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE. See inside for more details and be sure to mark your calendars!

Sincerely,

*Sharon Bulova*



## ROADWORKS UPDATE

### Braddock Road - From Ox Road to Shirley Gate Road (State Project - 2.5 miles)

Plans call for the road to be built as a four lane road but with adequate right-of-way to accommodate future expansion to six lanes. The State is midway through land acquisition which will be completed by late 1993. Advertising for bids is set for December, with construction starting in early Spring 1994. Construction will take 18 to 24 months. In the meantime, the State has done some preliminary clearing in order to improve sight distance.

### Braddock Road - From Shirley Gate Road to the Parkway (State Project - 0.5 mile)

With progress on the Fairfax County Parkway, the State added this segment to the previous project. It will also be four lanes with right-of-way for six lanes. Scheduling is the same as for the first segment.

### Braddock Road - From the Parkway to Union Mill Road (State project - 2 miles)

While not in our District, this project will help complete an important east/west corridor. This four lane segment is not on the State's Six Year Plan and there isn't funding for land acquisition or construction. Design is essentially done and land acquisition will begin when money becomes available.

### Fairfax County Parkway - From I66 to Braddock Road (County Project - 2.3 miles)

Land acquisition for this segment of the Parkway should be completed by the end of this year, with construction beginning Spring of 1994. The project includes a bridge to be constructed by the State over Route 29. Actual completion is expected by the end of 1996, but the road may be open to traffic earlier than that.

### Fairfax County Parkway - From Braddock Road to Ox Road, Route 123 (State Project 3.9 miles)

Construction on this segment of the Parkway is underway. Completion is scheduled for June 1995.

### Fairfax County Parkway - From Route 123 to the Pohick/Hooes Intersection (County project - 4.5 miles)

Plans call for a four lane divided road. The County is doing land acquisition now and will begin to relocate utilities this Fall. Advertising for bids will also occur at that time. Construction will start in Spring 1994 and be completed in late 1995. Most of the Parkway is not in the Braddock District. The one mile segment that is in our District is from Route 123 to Roberts Parkway.

### Realignment of Route 123 From Burke Centre Parkway to Old Stone Fence Road (State Project - 1.25 miles)

The State is constructing a new interchange at the intersection of Route 123 and the Parkway. As a part of the project, Route 123 will be shifted to the west. This section of Route 123 will be a four lane divided road which will pass over the Parkway at this intersection. Construction has started and should be completed in June 1995.

### Burke Centre Parkway Extended - From Route 123 to the Fairfax County Parkway (State project - 0.75 miles)

This project has not gone out to bid yet. It's anticipated that the work would be completed in approximately the same time frame as the previous project.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- ELDERHOSTEL is a non-profit educational organization that offers inexpensive, short-term academic programs hosted by college and universities around the world. This program is designed for the over-60 adventurer looking for a different travel and educational experience. For more information or a catalogue of ELDERHOSTEL participants call 1-617-426-8056.

- The County's HERITAGE RESOURCES BRANCH VOLUNTEER PROGRAM has grown from 75 to 260 volunteers in the past year. Archaeological excavations in Fairfax County have been opened to the public with programs available for schools, churches, scouts, civic associations and senior groups. Call Kay McCarron at 237-4881 for more information or to volunteer.

## FALL 1993 SCHOOL REFERENDA

On November 2nd, you will have the opportunity to vote on two important school issues.

- **"Yes" or "No"** to changing the method for selecting a School Board from appointment by the Board of Supervisors to direct election by the voters. If the majority votes "yes", the election would be held in 1995, along with members of the Board of Supervisors.

Eleven School Board Members would be elected, one from each magisterial district, and two at-large members. Their four year terms would coincide with the terms of the Board of Supervisors. The elected School Board would not have fiscal autonomy.

To learn more about this issue, a FORUM will be held on Tuesday, October 19th, 7:30 P.M. at the NVCC Annandale Campus's Cultural Center. The forum is sponsored by the League of Women Voters, the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, the County Council of PTAs and the Federation of Citizen's Associations.

- **\$140.13 million School Bond Referendum** Voters will be asked to approve a program that would finance construction of three elementary schools in fast-growing areas of the County, renovation of a dozen older schools and installation of air conditioning at the remaining nine school buildings without it.

**ROBINSON SECONDARY SCHOOL** in the Braddock District would receive a full renewal, including replacement of the heating and air conditioning systems, and a new roof. Lighting for the softball field is also being considered.

**POE MIDDLE SCHOOL** would receive funding for planning only for a future renewal.

**OLDE CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** would receive a full renewal, including air conditioning.

**KINGS PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** would receive a full renewal with air conditioning.

## ***Mark Your Calendars!***

### **Fall Town Meeting**

September 28, 1993

7:30 PM at

Little Run Elementary School

"Clean Air,

What it Means to You"

Televised on Channel 16 with call-in capabilities and guest speakers

### **Ecoloday**

October 2, 1993, Saturday

10 AM to 5 PM at

**Fairfax County Governmental Center**

A one day festival featuring family oriented activities, entertainment and interactive educational exhibits which focus on air, water, land and animal life.

### **Braddock District Council**

#### **Candidates Night**

October 13, 1993

at Chapel Square Media Center  
Conference Room

### **Braddock District Budget**

#### **Town Meeting**

March 9, 1994

Sponsored by Braddock District Council at  
Chapel Square Media Center  
Conference Room

### **Spring Town Meeting**

May 11, 1994

7:30 P.M. at

Little Run Elementary School  
Educational Issues and Appointment of  
Braddock District School Board Member

## **GMU COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Our District is home to George Mason University. We benefit from the many cultural and educational opportunities the University provides. We also struggle sometimes with problems that arise from having a growing, major university in our midst. During the past few years, we have been successful in resolving many University related problems through the GMU Community Council. The Council is comprised of representatives from my office, the University, student organizations (ie. fraternities), Fairfax County Police and Zoning, and neighborhood representatives. Please give my office a call if you would like to have an issue brought before the Community Council.



## YOUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK FOR YOU

- The Turkey Run Storm Drainage Project to install channel improvements and prevent flooding from Private Ln. to upstream of Wakefield Chapel Road was recently completed. As a part of the project, the culvert was replaced and enlarged at Holborn Ave.

- The Backlick Run Storm Drainage Project to install stream channel improvements has two segments. The park segment, between Easton Dr. and Countrywood Ct., was recently completed. The county segment, from Braddock Rd. to Leesville Blvd., was recently started. Work should be completed by June 1994.

- The Chestnut Hills Sanitary Sewer Extension Project Funding has been approved to cost share with affected property owners for the extension of sewer to Chestnut Hills where failing septic systems pose a problem. Project design has been started. Land acquisition will begin late this year. Advertisement for bids is projected for December 1994, with construction projected to start in May 1995. It will take a year to complete the project.

- The Fairfax Hills Sanitary Sewer Extension Project Funding has been approved for the design of sewer to replace failing septic systems. Funding for construction will be sought in the FY 1995 budget. The schedule for this project is the same as for Chestnut Hills.

- Lake Accotink Park Playground construction is scheduled for this Fall. Design is in progress for improvements to the trail. An additional bridge has been added. Construction is scheduled for May 1994. Preliminary plans for the maintenance facility are completed and construction should start in May 1995.

- Howery Field Design work for two ballfields, parking and a soccer/football field overlay is scheduled for April 1994. Advertisement for bids is projected for late 1995.

- Lake Braddock School Soccer Field This project will convert the existing field into two 240x120 size fields. A landscaped memorial is also being considered to recognize the \$12,000 memorial gift donated to start this project. The fields should be ready for play in the Fall 1996.

## SCHOOL RENOVATIONS IN PROGRESS

- Little Run Elementary School received a full renewal including air conditioning. Finishing touches will be completed in the Fall.

- Laurel Ridge Elementary School added a center for special education students. Work is essentially completed with finishing touches done this Fall.



## MASTER COMPOSTER PROGRAM

A new program, "Master Composter", trains volunteers on all aspects of composting so that they can teach other County residents how to turn their yard debris into a valuable resource. The Master Composter program is sponsored jointly by the Department of Extension and Continuing Education and the County's Division of Solid Waste Collection and Recycling.

I hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to learn how to improve your own lawn and garden with rich compost, while at the same time reducing yard waste at the landfill. Call the Department of Extension at 324-5370 and sign up for their fall seminars on "Back Yard Composting" and ask about the Master Composter Program. I understand that they offer 3 classes starting in October and they fill up fast.

In the meantime, an area at the main Government Center will be designated as a composting demonstration site. For those of you who are curious about how this works, stop by and see for yourselves!



## REORGANIZATION

### YOURS FOR THE ASKING

Please don't hesitate to contact my office for the following brochures:

- WELCOME TO THE BRADDOCK DISTRICT
- AN INTRODUCTION TO THE FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
(Includes a guide to the Government Center & County agencies)
- VOTING INFORMATION
- BACK YARD COMPOSTING GUIDE
- FAIRFAX COUNTY - JUST A TOUCH AWAY  
(Telephone Guide to County Services)
- PLEASE DON'T FEED OUR STREAMS  
How to Feed Your Lawn Without Overloading the Bay
- THE PLAIN ENGLISH GUIDE TO THE CLEAN AIR ACT
- PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
  - The new VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS (VRE) RIDERS GUIDE
  - METRO RAIL SYSTEM POCKET GUIDE
  - METRO BUS ROUTES:  
15, 16, 17, 18, 26, 29
  - CONNECTOR BUS ROUTES:  
204, 306, 401, 404
  - CITY OF FAIRFAX CUE
  - THE LINK TROLLEY (GMU/City)
- TAX RESPONSIBILITIES FOR BUSINESSES IN FAIRFAX COUNTY
- YOUR PETS AND THE LAW
- TAX FACTS - Some Basic Information About Fairfax County Taxes
- VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS IN FAIRFAX COUNTY - What Residents Need to Know About Owning and Operating a Vehicle in the County
- TAKE WHAT'S LEFT - Recycling Tips
- FAIRFAX COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS
- CAN WE SHARE OUR SPACE?  
A guide to co-existing with our animal neighbors

A number of reorganizational efforts are being considered or are underway to improve the efficiency and cost effectiveness of our County government. Some examples include: more efficient ways to staff Fire & Rescue operations and provide Advance Life Support capabilities throughout the County, streamlining our Human Services agencies to include a "one-stop shopping" intake process, establishing an Independent Audit office that will answer directly to the Board of Supervisors. Privatization of several County functions (i.e. vehicle maintenance) is also being explored. Having started down this path, I can tell you that implementing changes is a whole lot harder, and usually more painful, than talking about the need to change. Hopefully, we'll emerge from this exercise leaner and stronger.



An element of the County's reorganizational efforts is the fostering of partnerships between non-profit service providers and for-profit businesses and community organizations. I have been working on a project to bring potential partners together, while at the same time providing educational opportunities to ensure successful partnering. Our October 18th Adopt-A-Cause event will begin at 8:00 A.M. at the Government Center. A program covering the event will air on Cable Channel 16. Please give my office a call if you'd like more information.

### BRADDOCK TREE PLANTING PROJECT

Wondering who planted the lovely trees on Braddock Road? The trees are paid for with contributions from individuals, businesses, churches and organizations in the Braddock District. Each tree commemorates something or someone. For more information or to volunteer to help prune and weed, please give my office a call. To plant a tree, send a check payable to the "Braddock District Tree Planting Project", c/o Sharon Bulova, 4414 Holborn Ave., Annandale 22003.

## CONSTRUCTION ON CAMPUS

Last Fall, citizens of Virginia showed their support for higher education by voting "Yes" on a \$472 million bond issue to finance the construction of new facilities at colleges and universities throughout the Commonwealth. Northern Virginia fared particularly well; as a result of the bonds, both George Mason University and Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA) will see the construction of new buildings and renovations of some existing facilities.

At NOVA's Annandale Campus groundbreaking for the McDiarmid Building is planned for January 1994. This three story Humanities building will house classrooms, lecture halls, and a reading/study lounge. Like the Cultural Center beside it, the McDiarmid building will be recessed into the hill, making it appear only one level.

At George Mason University, a Warehouse/Office Complex is planned on six acres of land on Patriot Circle north of Shenandoah Lane. In the same area, in the northwest corner of the intersection of Shenandoah and Roberts Road, GMU plans to build a 27,700 gross sq. ft. two story building called the Krasnow Institute. This institute is described as an area for the "meeting of the minds, where scholars of diverse philosophies, knowledge, training and interest come together..." Funding for the Krasnow Institute is from a private trust fund established by the late Shelly Krasnow.



## THE BRADDOCK DISTRICT OFFICE WORKING FOR YOU

Fairfax is a large County with over 800,000 residents. We are divided into nine Magisterial Districts, each comprised of about 90,000 people. The mission of my Braddock District office is to make our local government work for you. We try to turn our large County into a small town.

Our annual budget of \$248,186 supports my own salary, plus a staff of one part-time and four full-time employees. We are located in the Chapel Square Center in Annandale, sharing space with the Fairfax County School's Media Center. Our annual budget must pay for: rental or acquisition of all office equipment, furnishings and supplies, the telephone bill, and use of any County service. It must also cover all postage and printing, including the production and mailing of this newsletter.

When responding to your concerns, questions or suggestions, our office "creed" is that the "buck" stops here. Each member of my capable staff handles a particular area of expertise and can assist you with issues such as: transportation, traffic safety, land use, zoning violations, animal control, pot holes, public safety matters, recycling, tax problems, utility questions, consumer complaints, school issues, park and recreation needs, assistance with library questions and human services problems. If yours is not a County matter, we make sure you're put in the hands of your appropriate Federal or State representative. Please feel free to contact me whenever I can be of assistance to you in any way.

### KINGS PARK LIBRARY GRAND REOPENING

It's B-A-A-A-CK! After a \$3.4 million facelift, the Kings Park Library on Burke Lake Road reopened July 10th with a grand, fun-filled celebration. After the ribbon cutting ceremony, the Robinson Secondary School String Quartet and magician Joe Romano performed. Staff members and volunteers gave visitors a tour of the newly renovated facility.

The new 17,272-square foot library features a children's area with furniture designed for younger children, a new quiet study area in the adult section and media stations with cable TV and VCRs for use in the library. New heating and air conditioning systems make the building more energy-efficient and new restrooms accommodate people with disabilities. Kings Park will be tied into the Fairfax County library systems' new online catalog, a computerized listing of the entire Fairfax County collection.

The Kings Park Library is open from 10 A.M. to 8 P.M. Mondays through Thursdays, 2 to 6 P.M. Fridays and 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Saturdays. It is closed Sundays. For information call 978-5699.



## YOUR CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Want more information on volunteering? **THE VOLUNTARY ACTION CENTER** is a community-based clearinghouse that connects citizen volunteers with county agencies or organizations. They can be reached at 246-3460.

### NEW YOU

Mentors and volunteers are needed for the **NEW YOU** program which is designed to help disadvantaged people get back on the path to self-sufficiency. **NEW YOU**, a combined lecture/presentation and mentor program is conducted jointly by United Community Ministries and the Mount Vernon Center for Community Mental Health. Call Sheila Gibbin at 768-0821 to help.

### CASA

**CASA's (Court Appointed Special Advocates)** mission is to serve abused and neglected children in the Fairfax Family Courts with trained community volunteers appointed by a judge to advocate for the child's best interest. Call 273-3526 to volunteer.

### ACCA

The Annandale Christian Community for Action is an organization of local churches whose goal is to help those in need. If you would like to help with one of their programs: Child Development, Family Emergency, Meals on Wheels, Transportation, Furniture or Hotline, please call Mixie Houk at 256-0100.

### OUR DAILY BREAD

This volunteer interfaith organization is devoted to easing the problems of needy persons in Fairfax County. It draws its volunteers from over twenty churches and synagogues. Schools, organizations and local businesses collect food on their behalf. Last year they provided food to over 7400 people. Call 573-7658 to help.

### FACETS

**Fairfax Area Christian Emergency and Transitional Services** responds to the needs of homeless and needy County residents. Together with churches, service organizations and government agencies they provide a Hot Meals Program, a Mobile Resource Center and the Family Enrichment Series. Call 264-0371 to see how you can help.



## DEDICATION OF THE RAVENSWORTH HISTORICAL MARKER

A ceremony to unveil and dedicate the Ravensworth Historical Marker is scheduled for Saturday, September 11th at 11:00 A. M. The festivities will take place at the east end of the Ravensworth Shopping Center, Port Royal Road, Springfield. The marker has been placed on a small hillside in a grove of trees not far from where the Ravensworth mansion stood.

Ravensworth, home to the Fitzhugh and Lee families, was built about 1796 on the largest single land grant in Fairfax County. An imposing frame Palladian-style mansion, it remained unmolested by either side during the Civil War. Ravensworth graced the countryside until it burned in 1926.

Efforts to get the Virginia Historic Society to erect the marker have been led by Dan Cragg, a Springfield resident, who worked with the Fairfax County History Commission. The marker was paid for by the commission and private donations. My thanks to the North Springfield and Ravensworth Farms communities for their efforts in planning the ceremony.



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW BRADDOCK NEIGHBORS

A positive sign of economic recovery is evident in the Braddock District with eight new subdivisions under construction right now. Please join me in welcoming our new Braddock District neighbors!

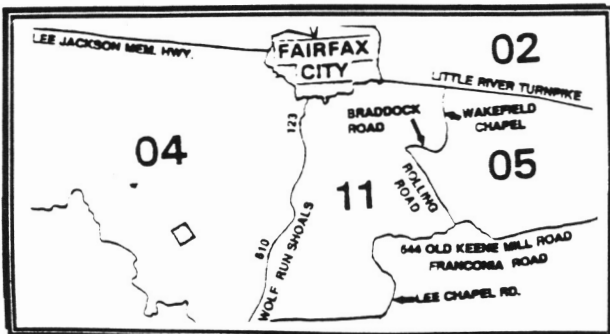
- Bailey's Place - nine single family homes on Rt. 236 at Hunt Road.
- Braddock Manor II - seven single family homes backing up to Burke Station Road on Nuttall Road.
- Chapel Lake Estates - thirty-one single family homes at Holborn Avenue on Private Lane.
- Roberts Square - nine townhomes at the intersection of Braddock Road and Roberts Road.
- Signal Hill Estates - twenty-five single family homes on Burke Lake Road next to the Kings Park Library.
- Woodland Forest - nineteen single family homes on Woodland Way at Margaret Lane.
- Woodland Meadows Estates - twelve single family homes at Woodland Way and Braddock Road.
- Zion Mews - nineteen single family homes on Zion Drive.

## HOW TO HELP VDOT HELP YOU

In Virginia, unlike most other States, our local roads are maintained by the Commonwealth. Our office works closely with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and Fairfax County Police Traffic Safety Division to improve safety conditions in our district. You can help by letting my office (425-9300) or VDOT know about an unsafe condition.

The Braddock District is served by VDOT Maintenance areas 4, 5 and 11. To report missing traffic signs, a malfunctioning traffic signal, curb, gutter or sidewalk damage, debris in the roadway, or pot holes you can reach VDOT by calling:

Area 4	631-9611
Area 5	971-6677
Area 11	830-3202
Emergency after hours	631-9611
Snow Removal	359-1220
or	359-1271
State-wide road conditions	1-800-367-ROAD
Traffic Signals & Signs	830-9423



Knowing who to call will save you time and help ensure that your neighborhood gets a prompt response!

## Braddock District Town Meeting

Topic:  
"Clean Air,  
What it Means to You"

September 28, 1993

Little Run Elementary School  
4511 Olley Lane  
Fairfax, VA

7:30-9:30 P.M.

### SPRING TOWN MEETING

School Issues  
May 11, 1994  
Same Time, Same Place

### FAIRFAX CORNER IN MOSCOW

What amazing changes have taken place around our globe during the past several years! Some of the most exciting changes are taking place in the former Soviet Union. Throughout the past year, Fairfax County has hosted a number of Russian local government officials who are interested in learning more about our free market system.

In October five Russian police officers will be here for about two weeks. They will be staying with Fairfax County police officers and their families while they learn how we provide public safety services in our County. In addition to the police officers, more Russian local government officials and/or businesspersons will be arriving throughout the year. More HOST FAMILIES will be needed. Please let me know if you'd like more information regarding this very rewarding project.

### TIME SENSITIVE MATERIAL

SHARON BULOVA  
BRADDOCK DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
4414 HOLBORN AVENUE  
ANNANDALE, VIRGINIA 22003

BULK RATE  
U. S. POSTAGE  
PAID  
PERMIT No. 45  
FAIRFAX, VA

