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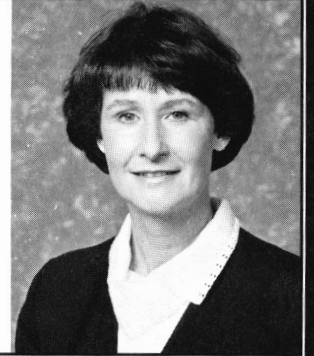
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● Ah, spring! Once evoking images of colorful forsythia and fragrant crab apple blossoms, those hallmarks were overshadowed this year by **BUDGET DELIBERATIONS**. The County's Fiscal Year 97 budget was quite a challenge. Despite continued population growth (about 50,000 new residents per year, with their corresponding needs for services), revenue growth from real estate, personal property and business taxes have never rebounded from the nose dive it took during the 1989/90 recession. What we viewed as a fiscal crisis during the early 90's we see now is normal. To bring us back into fiscal equilibrium, the Board made some significant long term changes to the services we provide. More information about the budget can be found inside. While everyone may not agree, most feedback I've received indicates the Board struck a responsible balance. With a combination of \$55 million in cuts and a tax rate increase of 7 cents (\$126 more per year for the average homeowner), some things will be reduced or eliminated, but services we most value will continue to be done well.

● Back by popular demand - **BRADDOCK NIGHTS!** Thanks to the continued sponsorship of *The Washington Post* and *Southeast Recycling*, this community-building summer concert series will return to both Lake Accotink Park in North Springfield and Royal Lake Park in Kings Park West. Be sure to clip out and save the schedule for this summer's season (see inside). The concert series begins at 7 P.M. on June 7th with *Lox & Vodka*, a group featuring "Fiddler on the Roof"-like entertainment at Royal Lake Park and *The Good Vibration Dancers* at Lake Accotink. Bring a picnic basket and blanket and celebrate the end of the work week relaxing with friends and family. Throughout the summer, you'll enjoy everything from Jazz to Classical, Top 40's, the Bull Run Cloggers and more. In addition to our corporate sponsors, Braddock Nights is brought to you by a steering committee chaired by Dr. Clai Richardson and some outstanding volunteers. If you'd like to dabble a bit in show business this summer, we'd love to have your help! Assistance is needed to introduce performers, distribute surveys and help with set up of the Showmobile.

● Demographic trends in Fairfax County indicate our population is growing older. If you are a senior citizen, expect to be one in the not too distant future, or are caring for aging relatives, you'll be interested in my spring **TOWN MEETING, June 11th, 7:30 P.M., at Little Run Elementary School**. Our agenda will include a panel discussion and questions from the audience about **The Maturing of Fairfax County**. Panelists, including Ric Edelman who has a program on WMAL, will address issues such as: estate planning and recommended changes to your investment portfolio; educational and recreational opportunities for seniors (i.e. Elderhostle and Learning in Retirement); health, wellness, and safety for seniors. The program will be televised live on Channel 16. Viewers can call in with questions. Immediately following the program, attendees are invited to visit for a while with our panelists and help themselves to material covering a broad range of subjects of interest to mature Braddock residents.

It is an honor to have the opportunity to serve as your Braddock District Supervisor for another term. As always, please let me know whenever I can be of assistance to you in any way. I look forward to seeing you on June 11th!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon Bulova".

SEE INSIDE! SUMMER '96 CONCERT SCHEDULE FOR
BRADDOCK NIGHTS

ROADWORKS UPDATE

Braddock Rd. - From Fairfax County Parkway to Clifton Rd. (State Project - 2.32 miles)
Reconstruction to four lanes. Advertise for bid in October '96.

Braddock Rd. - From Clifton Rd. to Union Mill Rd. (State Project - 0.87 mile) Reconstruct to four lanes. This is expected to be completed in August '96.

Fairfax County Parkway - From Rt. 123 to the Pohick/Hoos Intersection (County Project - 4.5 miles) This segment is open to traffic.

Burke Centre Parkway - From Marshall Pond Rd. to Burke Lake Rd. (County Project - 0.87 miles)
This stretch of road was identified by Braddock District's Spot Improvement Task Force as a priority. Funding was recently identified for design and land acquisition to begin widening from two lanes to four. Preliminary design is underway.

Burke Lake Rd. - From Burke Centre Parkway to Fairfax County Parkway (State Project - 1.2 miles)
Construct a four lane segment. Project design completed. Project on hold due to lack of funding.

Rt. 123 (Ox Rd.) - From South of the Southern RR tracks to Burke Lake Rd. (State Project - 1.1 miles)
The project to widen this segment to four lanes should be completed this spring.

Rt. 123 (Ox Rd.) - From Burke Lake Rd. to the Occoquan River (State Project - 7.8 miles)
This project to widen Ox Rd. to four lanes (with right-of-way for a future six lanes) is in the design phase.

Shirley Gate Rd., Extended - From Braddock Rd. to the Fairfax County Parkway (State Project - 0.9 mile)
This project, a recommendation from our Braddock Comprehensive Plan Task Force, will connect Shirley Gate Rd. to the Fairfax County Parkway. It has been added to the State's Six Year Transportation Plan and is in the queue for future funding.

I-95/I-395/I-495 (Mixing Bowl Project) - A multi-phase \$270 million project to reconstruct this major interchange is under design at this time. Public hearing on design will be held this fall. The entire project will take about seven years to complete.

Roberts Rd. Extension and Railroad Flyover - Last fall, at the request of several community associations in the area, I asked Fairfax County's Office of Transportation and the State's Department of Transportation (VDOT) to re-evaluate the need for extending Roberts Rd. from its present dead end at Collingham Dr. in Kings Park West to its next segment in Bonnie Brae and Colony Park. I also asked for an evaluation of the best alignment for a crossing over the Norfolk Southern Railroad tracks. VDOT has employed a consultant to assist with this project. Plans for getting back to the community this spring were delayed because of VDOT's inability to obtain the required field data for the study during our severe winter. Once the evaluation is completed, I will schedule a Town Meeting to discuss this issue with all the communities who are interested in and concerned about the extension of Roberts Rd. and the overpass. Whether you are "pro" or "con", I look forward to working with you and having your participation in this difficult issue.



VRE NEWS

This summer the *Virginia Railway Express* will open a new station on the Fredericksburg Line at the new Franconia/Springfield Transportation Center. The station is located at the intersection of the Franconia/Springfield Parkway and Frontier Drive, just south of the Springfield Mall. Until the Franconia/Springfield Station Metrorail opens, 200 *free* parking spaces will be available to VRE riders. This new Metro Station on the Blue Line will open in the summer of 1997.

Work has begun at the Burke Centre Station to add 150 parking spaces. The project is expected to be completed by the end of June.

VRE is offering a special summer fare for persons aged 7 to 21 again this summer. Tickets may be purchased for \$125 for unlimited VRE trips between June 1 and August 31. Year round, school groups of at least 10 persons can qualify for 50% discounts on VRE fares. Also, riders who are disabled or are 65 years of age or older may purchase single trip fares at a 50% reduction. For more information regarding these discounts please call VRE at 642-3808.



THE FY 97 ADOPTED BUDGET AT A GLANCE



The budget the Board of Supervisors formally adopted on April 29th was quite different from the one recommended by the County Executive in late February. I want to thank those of you who called, wrote, visited my office or testified before the Board during about 40 hours of public hearings in April.

Following release of the County Executive's budget, I received over 5,000 letters and phone messages. Of those, 205 people said, "Don't raise my taxes!" Most of the rest who called or wrote asked us to: fully fund the School Board's budget (669); not cut or reduce County services, e.g. Police, Fire & Rescue, Urban Forestry Branch, Consumer Affairs, Libraries, etc. (1,212); not eliminate or reduce services to our most needy - Human Services & Non-Profit Providers (2,811); not cut bus service (119). The final budget, I believe, struck a responsible balance that:

- **Eliminates or reduces \$55 million in services** that were begun when our economy was more robust but are no longer affordable. **Closures** include: four of the County's five Mini Libraries, all seven Branch Tax Administration Offices, the County's Game Warden, the Office of Road Program Management, the Route 1 Visitor's Center, the Weights & Measures Office, the Materials Testing Lab. **Eliminates** two dozen bus routes and one of the County's three helicopters.

- **Reductions** include: the County's Heritage Resources Branch, the Soil Science Office, the Urban Forestry Branch, slows the pace for implementing Information Technology, reductions of \$1 million to both Police and Fire & Rescue Departments, reduces subsidy for SACC Program (before and after school child care), the County's neighborhood Streetlight Program.

- **Reduces administration and overhead** - eliminates 477 positions, reduces our budget for overtime by \$3 million, reduces County employee's COLA from 2% to 1%. Budget guidelines call for a review and revisions to our compensation and benefit plans, and reorganizational efficiencies.

- **Continues the County's partnership with non-profit human service providers (FISH, Hospice, CASA, etc.) at 90% of their FY 96 level** but calls for a **competitive funding pool** to be established prior to the next fiscal year - so that we are funding the *needs* and not duplicating non-profit offices that are serving the same populations.

- **Increases funding to the Schools by \$7.2 million more than the County Executive recommended. This is less than the \$29.71 million more the School Board requested**, but it's enough to head off reductions in planned classroom instruction.

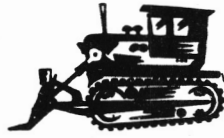
- **Raises the Real Estate Tax Rate by 7 cents, instead of the 17 cent increase recommended by the County Executive.** For the average home, valued at \$189,923, this means an increase of \$126 per year.

The Board **DID NOT:**

- Adopt a \$100 Ambulance Fee
- Or a 10% Cellular Phone Tax
- Double the ceiling on the Non Residential Utility Tax
- Adopt a \$2.00 fee for people visiting Burke Lake Park or Lake Fairfax
- Charge youth \$10.00 to play sports in County facilities
- Establish a \$75 million "piggy bank". Instead, our "structural problem" will be addressed through **STRICT BUDGET GUIDELINES** that bring spending in line with revenues through reorganization, de-layering of administrative personnel, changes in compensation and benefit plans and cooperative efforts with the Schools.

All in all spending on the County side of our budget will be a 1.5% decrease from last year. With the Schools receiving an increase over last year of 8.7%, total County spending increases by 3.7% over last year's adopted budget.

YOUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK FOR YOU



The following construction projects are underway in the Braddock District:

Sanitary Sewer Extension Projects approved and funded to cost-share with affected property owners for the extension of sanitary sewer where failing septic systems pose a problem.

- **Chestnut Hills** and **Fairfax Hills** Reduction in the scope of the project delayed the planned start of construction. Advertisement of the project is now underway. Construction should start in August and take about nine months.

- **Holly Park** Design is completed. This project is on hold until 50% of the residents agree to proceed.

- **Woods of Ilda** Preliminary design should be completed this June. Construction should start in February '97 and be completed by summer of '97.

Robinson Secondary School Renewal

Renewal is progressing on schedule and should be substantially finished by Jan. '97. Robinson's new library/media center is open to the public during the school year on Wednesday evenings 7-9. Stop by for research work and online services!

Kings Park Elementary School Renewal is in progress. Project includes Air conditioning, refurbishing classrooms, new roof, updated wiring, new Kindergarten and Preschool wing, expanded Media Center, two room SACC center. Project should be completed by May '97.

Sidewalk & Trail Improvement Projects near VRE Stations

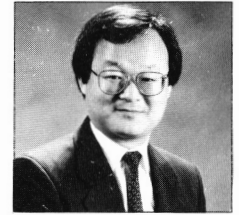
- **Backlick Rd. VRE:** Bids for construction have been advertised for sidewalks on Backlick Rd. from Hechinger Dr. to Industrial Rd. (1000 ft); from Cabin John Rd. to Hechinger Dr. (400 ft); from Industrial Rd. to Leesville Blvd. (300 ft).

- **Burke Centre VRE:** Bid has been advertised for construction of a 1000 ft. trail on Roberts Parkway from Burke Commons Rd. to the station.

Lake Accotink Park Trail renovations, completed this spring, included replacing two bridges and widening and resurfacing a 3,200 trail section from the Marina to Queensberry Ave. near Hatteras Ln.

A Word From Ilyriong Moon Braddock District School Board Member

Greetings from your elected representative to the Fairfax County School Board! Your first elected School Board has been hard at work. Dealing with a complicated school system budget immediately after we were sworn in was an immense task. Only three incumbents returned to the School Board as elected officials. I had six months' prior experience serving on the Board as an at-large member. Any concerns I may have had about lack of experience were put to rest as I saw the dedication and hard work newly elected members devoted to the budget and other school issues.



While there have been some eight to four votes during these first five months, our positions differ more often because of specific views on issues, rather than partisan differences. In spite of this, we all share a common goal, to provide our children with the best education they need to be prepared for the future.

Forgive me if I brag about the achievements of some of our Braddock District schools. The *Character Education* program at **Annandale High School** has received much deserved praise and may become a model for other schools. The program instills in our youngsters the universal values of respect and care for others, hard work and honesty. **Lake Braddock's Girl's Gymnastic Team** won the State Championship this winter. This is the second consecutive year the team has won the State title. Another two time winner, **Robinson High School Girls' Basketball Team** won the State AAA Championship for the second year in a row. In May, following in last year's footsteps of Lake Braddock, the **Woodson High School Band** was awarded the prestigious *Sudler Flag of Honor*. This national award recognizes the very best school bands with a consistent history of the finest musical quality. Also making Woodson proud is Gretchen H. Portwood, a Journalism and English teacher, recognized as the *Teacher of the Year*.

Finally, to our Seniors who graduate in June to enter college or the workforce, I wish you the very best! Congratulations and compliments also to your proud parents, teachers and others who have supported your education. May happiness and prosperity lie in all your futures!

CELEBRATE OUR COMMUNITY IN CONCERT!

1996 SEASON

Braddock Nights

Performances are **FREE** and begin at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Concerts are cancelled in case of rain; call 425-9300 for cancellation information.

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- 7 **The Good Vibration Dancers:** Enjoy a toe-tapping evening of fun and entertainment as this adult dance group performs tap and jazz routines to various styles of music including show tunes, big band, and rock-n-roll.
- 14 **Little Bit of Blues:** These veteran blues men have brought their special style of country blues to festivals throughout the country from Mississippi to Boston.
- 21 **Outback Jack:** Jack Stanton's zany performance is filled with classic animal ditties and tales of the bush.
- 28 **The Catch:** A local musical group listed among the "world's best unsigned bands" performing your favorite rock/blues music.

- 5 **Alban Chorale:** 6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. From madrigals to show tunes, these 22 voices will perform a delightful variety of choral music to please the entire family.

Korean American Culture Center: 6:40 p.m. – 7:10 p.m. Samul-Nori: Korean traditional percussion consists of 2 drums representing the sound of the earth, and 2 gongs representing the sound of the sky.

Village Jazz Band: 7:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Lively, traditional jazz both New Orleans and West Coast favorites, with the full sound of banjo, piano, tuba, clarinet and a vocalist.

- 12 **Laurie Rose Griffith and Peter Mealy:** Critical acclamation greeted the CD "Tocoi Light" by this popular duo of acoustic musicians and singers.
- 19 **Summer Band – Fairfax Symphony:** Home for a Fairfax County summer of music are these college and high school students who perform a light classical and pops repertoire.
- 26 **Burke Tuba Ensemble:** Audiences are amazed at the wonderful depth and richness of sound produced by this young and enthusiastic ensemble.
- 2 **Minors Aloud:** A 5-piece band that plays an original blend of country, rock, blues and jazz.
- 9 **Dixieland Band – Fairfax Symphony:** The Deep South is the cradle of New Orleans jazz, ragtime and great American music.
- 16 **Gail Baer & Company:** A quartet of top musicians accompanies jazz & blues vocalist Gail Baer as she performs the songs of jazz greats.
- 23 **Brass Ensemble – Fairfax Symphony:** Classical, jazz, marches — as long as it's boisterous, this ensemble can do it.
- 30 **Rare Bird:** Steve Wolf and Mae Walters accompany Barb Martin as she glides through a potpourri of musical styles, focused, polished, and engaging.

- 7 **Lox & Vodka:** Clap, dance the hora, and sing along to Fiddler on the Roof and other favorites with this lively, popular Klezmer band.
- 14 **Herb Smith Jazz Band:** Herb Smith leads these vibrant, energetic musicians and a vocalist.
- 21 **Woodwind Ensemble – Fairfax Symphony:** Versatile woodwinds portray the many moods of music from Handel to Chopin.
- 28 **Fairfax Jubli-Airs:** A sampling from a repertoire of old time favorites, popular show tunes, and songs that commemorate the American experience.
- 5 **Bull Run Cloggers:** 6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. With this combination of Appalachian Mountain clogging and today's country music, you'll be tapping your toes while you have a hand-clappin' good time.

Jackie Anderson: 6:40 p.m. – 7:10 p.m. Traditional spirituals and contemporary gospel songs performed by a popular local ensemble of musicians and vocalists.

Mt. Vernon Orchestra: 7:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. This orchestra has over 30 years of performing light classics, traditional American music, international folk music and marches.

- 12 **King's Park Concert Band:** Light classics, music based on folk tunes and international themes, marches, and popular music will brighten the night.
- 19 **Annandale Orchestra:** "Peter and the Wolf" and the music of Disney highlight this interactive performance for children. Adults are encouraged to become young again. Claiborne L. Richardson conducting!
- 26 **Concert Band – An Ensemble of the City of Fairfax Band:** 7:30 p.m. The 90 member City of Fairfax Band, one of the finest in the nation according to critics, will bring an evening of pops, marches, light classics, and Broadway show tunes.
- 2 **Don Becker:** A magic blend of today's children's entertainment, slapstick, and two familiar old-world stories that brings laughter to all ages.
- 9 **Irish Breakfast Band:** Travel back to the Ould Sod with these minstrels of Erin who have performed at the Kennedy Center, sheep shearings and most places in between.
- 16 **"Alte Kameraden" German Band:** This unit of the City of Fairfax Band, an authentic "blaskapelle," keeps alive the fest spirit and heritage.
- 23 **National Concert Band:** America's heritage of symphonic band music is celebrated by this acclaimed group.
- 30 **Night Music:** Top 40's music from a fast-paced, energetic, well-known band.

CELEBRATE AMERICAN
INDEPENDENCE JULY 5!

DIRECTIONS

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LAKE ACCOTINK PARK — 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield 22152. Beltway Exit 5 (Braddock Rd.) east 1/2 mile to right at Heming Ave. to the park's rear entrance. Or from Route 95 south, take Old Keene Mill Rd. (Rt. 644) west to right on Backlick Rd. to Highland Ave. to main marina entrance.

ROYAL LAKE PARK — 5344 Gainsborough Dr., Fairfax 22032. Beltway Exit 5 (Braddock Rd.) west to left on Twinbrook Rd. to right on Commonwealth to left on Gainsborough to park entrance on left.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS

Northern Virginia

Community College (NVCC)

recently broke ground for the **McDiarmid Building**, which is expected to be completed in the summer of 1997. With three stories and 59,000 square feet, the McDiarmid Building will provide much needed classroom, studio, study, and office space. It will house the Art; Music; Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management; and Travel and Tourism programs. A teleconferencing center will also be located in the new building.



George Mason University (GMU) unveiled its new **George W. Johnson Center** in April. Designed to be the hub of campus life, it is located in the exact geographical center of the campus. The Johnson Center's mission is to provide students with a total learning experience through interaction with books, technology, peers, faculty and staff. The \$30 million building, with eight acres of floor space (the first of its kind on an American campus) combines a 100,000 square foot, state-of-the art, open-space library facility with the meeting, programming and food service spaces often associated with a student union.

The building's namesake, George Johnson, retires June 30 after 18 years as GMU's fourth president. New president, Alan G. Merten, comes to us from Cornell University where he serves as the Dean of the Graduate School of Management and holds the title of Professor of Information Systems.

GMU's **Mason's Center for the Arts** opens its 1996-97 season beginning this September. Look for opera, orchestra, jazz, theater, dance and much more. Call 993-8888 for a brochure.

FOR OUR SENIORS...

Both GMU and NVCC are offering exciting programs for older adults wishing to expand their horizons, participate in study-travel programs or spend time with others who share a love of learning. GMU's program is called **The Learning in Retirement Institute (LRI)** and their phone number is 503-3384. NVCC's program is **The Lifetime Learning Institute (LLI)**. Call 503-0600 for information. Both programs are members of the **Elderhostel Institute Network**. To find out more about these programs plan to attend my June 11th Town Meeting!

LIBRARIES SERVING THE BRADDOCK DISTRICT

During budget deliberations, I heard from many of you who were concerned about cuts affecting our libraries. While I share your disappointment in closing the mini-libraries, this action allows us to focus our resources on ensuring the excellence of our regional and community libraries. After the Burke Mini Library closes on June 29th, books can be returned to neighboring branches. Patrons may continue to use their library cards at any branch. Braddock District residents are very fortunate to be in close proximity to the following libraries:

THE FAIRFAX CITY REGIONAL LIBRARY, (246-2281) located at 3915 Chain Bridge Road in Fairfax, offers videocassette, compact disc and on-line business, legislative and academic services plus historic materials in the Virginia Room. Hours are Mon-Thurs, 10-9; Fri, 10-6; Sat, 10-5; Sun, 12-6.

THE POHICK REGIONAL LIBRARY, (644-7333) located at 6450 Sydenstricker Road in Burke offers the same hours and programs as Fairfax City Library plus extended children's programming. A used book sale, sponsored by the Friends of Pohick Regional Library, is scheduled on Sat., June 8, 10-5.

GEORGE MASON REGIONAL LIBRARY, (256-3801) located at 7001 Little River Turnpike in Annandale is open during the same hours and has programs similar to other regional libraries. George Mason is slated to be closed for renovation and expansion starting early '97. Plans call for the existing facility to be expanded from 25,000 sq. ft. to 29,000 sq. ft. and will include updated technology and computer equipment. This \$5.7 million project is funded by the 1989 Library Bond Referendum. Temporary satellite library facilities will be provided during the 18 month construction period for library users. The temporary facility will operate during regional library hours and will house 42% of George Mason's circulation as well as an on-line data base.

THE KINGS PARK COMMUNITY LIBRARY, (978-5600) located at 9000 Burke Lake Road in Burke, offers books, circulating magazines and special programs for children such as a homework resource center. A special summer program will include a Summer Reading Club, puppet shows, story reading time, movies, crafts, juggling and more. Library Hours: Mon-Thurs, 11-9; Fri, 2-6; Sat, 10-5.

YOURS FOR THE ASKING

Please contact my office for the following brochures:

- **AN INTRODUCTION TO THE FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** - A Guide to the Government Center and County Agencies
- **BRIEF HISTORY OF FAIRFAX COUNTY**
- **FAIRFAX COUNTY- A NEWCOMER'S GUIDE**
- **FAIRFAX COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**
- **FAIRFAX COUNTY- ENTERTAINMENT**
Braddock Nights, GMU Center for the Arts, Historic Landmarks, Museums, Regional & County Parks, Tours
- **FAIRFAX COUNTY- JUST A TOUCH AWAY**
Guide to County Services
- **HOMEGROWN MARKETS** - Farmers Market
- **NORTHERN VIRGINIA MEDIATION SERVICE**
Try mediation to settle your disputes
 - **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**
- **VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS RIDERS GUIDE**
 - **METRO BUS ROUTES:** # 15, 16, 17, 18, 29
 - **FAIRFAX CONNECTOR:** # 204, 306, 401, 404
 - **CITY OF FAIRFAX CUE**
 - **METRORAIL:** SATURDAY EXPRESS
 - **A METRO GUIDE TO THE NATION'S CAPITAL**
 - **WMATA -- A GUIDE TO PARATRANSIT, "The Americans With Disabilities Act & You"**
- **SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION** - Information and Training Support Services for Staff, Students, Parents
 - **TAKE WHAT'S LEFT** - Recycling Tips
 - **TAX FACTS** - About County Taxes
- **URBAN STREAMS & THE CHESAPEAKE BAY**
Simple things you can do to clean up these areas
 - **VICTIM ASSISTANCE NETWORK**
Preventing Sexual Abuse of Children, Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence
 - **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN FAIRFAX COUNTY**
 - **VOTING INFORMATION**
- **WOMEN'S CENTER** - Services and Calendar of Events

YOUR CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...



Looking for a service project? The second annual **VOLUNTEERFEST**, a program of the **Volunteer Center of Fairfax County**, is scheduled for Saturday, October 26, 1996. Volunteers will spend the day at project sites throughout Northern Virginia to paint, plant, renovate and clean-up.

WHY: The Volunteer Center (a private, nonprofit corporation) sponsors this event to increase awareness of the value of volunteers, to provide new avenues for service and to respond to crucial community needs.

WHAT: Community Service projects are planned at local shelters, parks, charitable residential facilities, historical sites, schools and more.

WHO: Participants will include corporate teams, civic clubs, religious institutions, community organizations, families and individuals. Projects assist local organizations who provide critical services to the homeless, mentally ill, seniors, children and others.

For information call the **VOLUNTEER CENTER OF FAIRFAX COUNTY, INC. AT 246-3460**.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FACETS

Fairfax Area Christian Emergency and Transitional Services, Inc. (FACETS) has a number of volunteer opportunities available:

- **Tutors of English-as-a-Second Language (ESL):**
Teach non-English speakers living in assisted housing. A two week course with the Northern Virginia Literacy Council will prepare you to tutor.
- **Assistants for "Exploring the Arts Through Story":** Read to and do crafts with children through age three at County Community Centers.
- **Tutors:** Help children with homework and special projects.
- **Mentors for Single Moms:** Volunteers are needed for two to four hours a week.
- **Office Volunteers:** File, write letters, answer phones, data processing. One to four hours a week.
- Also needed: **A Chess Program Assistant, Hot Meals Server Substitute & Food Service Deliverer**

To volunteer, call 352-5090.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SPRING TOWN MEETING

The Maturing of Fairfax County

Guests

Ric Edelman

Financial Advisor and
Host of WMAL's

"YOUR MONEY MATTERS"

Some Financial Words of Advice for Seniors

Lt. Brian Boykin

Crime Prevention Specialist, F.C.P.D.
Scams and Con Games, Home Safety

Beth Hershner

Area Agency on Aging
Programs and Opportunities for Seniors

Kent Long

George Mason University's
Learning in Retirement Institute

Harley Tabak

Asst. Vice President for Long Term Care, INOVA
Health and Wellness for Seniors

Tuesday, June 11, 1996

7:30 P.M.

**Little Run Elementary School
4511 Olley Lane, Fairfax**

Live on Channel 16

(Call 425-9300 to ask when the program will be repeated)



**BRADDOCK DISTRICT
TREE
PROJECT**



The beautiful trees, bushes and flowers on Braddock District's main roads are made possible by grants and donations from groups and individuals in our community. They are planted to recognize brave deeds or commemorate loved ones. Recently, an artist's rendering of the project was donated to Kings Park Library by Lisa Pellegrin. An album beneath the painting tells the Braddock Tree Project story. Hope you'll stop by and see it next time you're in the area!

If you would like to become a part of this unique beautification project by donating time or purchasing trees, bushes, bulbs, or wildflowers, please give my office a call (425-9300). Project Coordinator Adele Breaux reports that the trees destroyed last year because of the draught, accidents or vandalism will be replaced this fall.

THE GEORGE MASON CONNECTION

United College Ministries of Northern Virginia has developed a program to link George Mason University students with the community and congregations to meet the needs of persons on campus and in the community. This fall the program being offered is ***Friends In Deed: Host Families in Northern Virginia***. Families are needed to provide support for George Mason Students with special needs - international students, minority students, single parents, and out-of-state students. For more information or to receive a host family application, please call Sarah Woods at 993-3324.

TIME SENSITIVE MATERIAL

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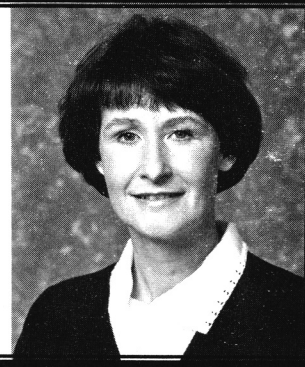
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● Beauty is in the eye of the beholder. To some, it means neatly trimmed boxwood and manicured lawns. To others it means mounds of honeysuckle and untamed bursts of forsythia. Lifestyles contrast as well. My office spends a good deal of time responding to issues arising from neighbor-to-neighbor disputes. As our neighborhoods age, our concern for "curb appeal" and protection of property values sometimes conflict with an individual's right to the quiet enjoyment of his property when that enjoyment is messier or noisier than his neighbors would like, or maybe just different. Our County's zoning laws attempt to strike a balance between these expectations. Additionally, the Board of Supervisors is exploring ways to protect and revitalize our older urban areas before serious deterioration sets in. **ZONING and REVITALIZATION** are the subjects of my fall **TOWN MEETING on October 16, 7:30 P.M. at Little Run Elementary School on Olley Lane in Fairfax**. If you are unable to attend on the 16th, a taped version of the program will appear on Cable Channel 16 at 8 P.M. on October 22, November 4 and November 11. Bring your questions, suggestions and comments and plan on joining me for what promises to be an interesting discussion.

● One of the things that helps us to get along with each other is getting to know each other better. A number of efforts have taken root in our Braddock District that contribute toward a stronger *sense of community*. Crowds at our **BRADDOCK NIGHTS** concert series on Friday nights throughout the summer raved about the opportunity to get together with their neighbors, while enjoying our beautiful parks and delightful home-grown talent. Thanks to Project Chairman Clai Richardson, our corporate sponsors and enthusiastic volunteers, we expect to be back again next June. Another community-building project, headed up by Adele Breaux, coordinates the continued planting and pruning of trees, bushes and wildflowers on Braddock District's main roads. Plantings are donated by members of the community to tell a story, say thanks, or that we care and remember. Contact my office for more information about the **BRADDOCK TREE PROJECT**.

Braddock District churches, synagogues, County officials and non-profit charitable organizations have begun to get together regularly. The subject matter is not theology but social issues that concern us - Human Services Redesign and Welfare Reform, wholesome activities for young people, care for frail senior citizens, and how to share and leverage resources and volunteers to better serve the community. Feel free to give my office a call for more information about the **BRADDOCK DISTRICT RELIGIOUS/HUMAN SERVICES COALITION**.

● Lastly, with fall and winter months ahead, I hope you'll note the article inside about snow removal. The Board of Supervisors met in March with officials from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) about improving their response during snow storms. You can help VDOT by exercising some of the common sense precautions listed inside.

As always, I appreciate the opportunity to serve you in the Braddock District. Please let me know whenever I can be of assistance in any way! See you on October 16th!

Sincerely,

Sharon Bulova

ROADWORKS UPDATE

Roberts Rd. Extension - Complete Roberts Rd. from Collingham Dr. to north of Colony View Dr. (State Project - 0.4 mile) In July, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) confirmed the continued need for this project to construct a two lane segment of Roberts Rd. VDOT is working on a preliminary design and will hold a **public hearing regarding design on November 19th from 4 - 8 PM at Oak View Elementary School. After this meeting, I will schedule a walk-through of the entire project so that I can meet personally with those most closely affected to discuss design issues.**

Roberts Rd. Flyover - Construct grade separated intersection with Norfolk Southern Railroad tracks (State Project) In July, VDOT determined that the flyover at Roberts would be safer and more cost effective than a Guinea Rd. alternative. Project in design phase. Design public hearing in '97.

Guinea Rd. - Roberts Parkway to Pommeroy Dr. (State Project - 1.5 miles) Widen from two to four lanes. Project added to State's Six Year Plan last year. Funded for very preliminary design.

Braddock Rd. - From Fairfax County Parkway to Clifton Rd. (State Project - 2.32 miles) Reconstruct to four lanes. Advertise for bid in Nov '97, with completion in Spring '98.

Braddock Rd. - From Clifton Rd. to Union Mill Rd. (State Project - 0.87 mile) Reconstruct to four lanes. This is expected to be completed in Jan '97.

Burke Centre Parkway - From Marshall Pond Rd. to Burke Lake Rd. (County/State Project - 0.87 mile) Widen from two to four lanes. Intermediate design is completed. Land acquisition to follow after final design. Construction goes to bid in July '99.

Burke Lake Rd. - From Burke Centre Parkway to Fairfax County Parkway (State Project - 1.2 miles) Construct a four lane segment. Project design completed. Fully funded for construction. Goes to bid mid-2000.

Rt. 123 (Ox Rd.) - From Burke Lake Rd. to Lee Chapel Rd (State Project - 2.5 miles) Widen Ox Rd. to four lanes (with right-of-way for a future six lanes). This segment, which is in design, is funded for limited

acquisition and utility adjustments. Design public hearing in Fall '97.

Rt. 123 (Ox Rd.) - From Lee Chapel Rd. to the Occoquan River (State Project - 4.5 miles) Widen Ox Rd. to four lanes (with right-of-way for a future six lanes). This segment is in the design phase only. Design public hearing in Fall '97.

Shirley Gate Rd., Extended - From Braddock Rd. to the Fairfax County Parkway (State Project - 0.9 mile) This project will connect Shirley Gate Rd. to the Fairfax County Parkway. Conceptual and alignment studies are under way. This project will be funded for design in the State's Six Year Plan in 2002.

I-95/I-395/I-495 (Mixing Bowl Project) - A multi-phase \$270 million project to reconstruct this major interchange is under design at this time. The entire project will take about ten years to complete.

Woodrow Wilson Bridge Project - Study completed to replace this 35 year old bridge. Fairfax County is supporting a twelve lane side by side draw bridge to include HOV. Whether it will be partially financed with a toll is yet to be decided.

Route 236 Corridor Improvements - During the past year, I've co-chaired a citizens' task force with Providence Supervisor Connolly, to determine ways to improve traffic flow on Rt. 236 between Hummer/Heritage and Pickett Rd. in the City of Fairfax. Our efforts, in cooperation with VDOT, have resulted in a conceptual plan for some additional turn and through lanes and other measures to relieve congestion. Federal funding will be sought for design and construction which is estimated at \$6 million.

Braddock District Spot Intersection Improvements (County Projects) - Two "quick fix" intersection improvements recommended by the Braddock District Council of Community Associations and Braddock residents have been approved:

Extend right turn lane on northbound Guinea Rd. at Rt. 236 - Project in design. Spring '97 completion.

Close median and eliminate left turn lane on westbound Braddock Rd. at Ravensworth Shopping Center - Project in design. Summer '97 completion.



REMEMBER ELECTION DAY IS NOVEMBER 5th



In addition to Presidential, Senatorial and Congressional elections, there will be five Commonwealth of Virginia Constitutional Amendments on the ballot to consider:

- **Public Employees Retirement System** revises the provision that requires the General Assembly to maintain a retirement system for public employees. This referendum would reconstitute the Virginia Retirement System as an independent trust fund.
- **Rights of Victims of Crime** adds a provision to the Virginia Constitution's Bill of Rights concerning victims of crime. The new language describes the General Assembly's authority to pass laws concerning the rights or protection for victims of crime.
- **Commonwealth's Right of Appeal** would permit the Commonwealth to appeal to a higher court to overturn a decision by a lower court in a criminal case.
- **Voting and Voter Registration** gives the General Assembly more authority to enact laws concerning two matters affecting voters: what information should be required on an application to register to vote, and how voters may continue to vote after they move within the Commonwealth prior to their changing registration.
- **Incorporation of Churches and Religious Denominations** deletes a provision in the present Constitution that prohibits the incorporation of churches and religious denominations. The amendment will allow the General Assembly to provide, by law, permission for churches to incorporate.

Please give my office a call (425-9300) for a brochure describing the Amendments. We also have copies of **Absentee Ballot Applications**. The deadline for applying by mail to vote absentee is October 31. You may vote absentee in person up to November 2. **Voter registration closes October 7.**

NEW BRADDOCK VOTING PRECINCTS

- **Little Run Precinct becomes Olde Creek** - formerly Little Run residents voted at Little Run Elementary School along with residents of the Olley precinct. In order to address a shortage of parking spaces, Olde Creek Elementary School has been added as a polling place. In order to avoid confusion, the name of the precinct was changed to Olde Creek. Olley Precinct voters will continue to vote at Little Run Elementary School.
- **Bonnie Brae Precinct Created** - Federal law requires the creation of new precincts when voter registration in a precinct reaches a certain number. To address this issue in Laurel and Sideburn precincts, a new precinct, Bonnie Brae, was carved out. Voting will be at the Bonnie Brae Elementary School.

If you have questions about where to vote, you can reach the Electoral Board (324-4735) or call my office (425-9300).

SERVING YOU BETTER

The technological revolution has come to your Braddock District Supervisor's office! You may now reach us by e-mail at **Braddock@co.fairfax.va.us**. Please include your phone number and home address in your messages so we may better respond to your concerns. Fairfax County's new web site address is: **<http://www.co.fairfax.va.us>** Coming soon - a Braddock District home page at that location!

My office is once again able to provide **Notary Services**. Both Florence Naeve and Joanne Swick received their Notary commissions this spring. Please be sure to call the office before coming by to make sure they are available when you need them. My office is open from 8:30 A.M. until 5 P.M. Monday through Friday.



THE BLIZZARD OF '96 AND LESSONS LEARNED



The Blizzard of '96 and snow storms following it left many Fairfax County residence trapped in their homes for several days. **In Virginia, snow plowing, even on small residential streets, is done by the State and not the County.** My office received hundreds of calls during the snow storms and communicated hourly with VDOT (the Virginia Department of Transportation) to report unplowed streets. For many persons, it was an *extremely* frustrating experience. Once the immediate crisis was over, the Board of Supervisors held a "Snow Summit" with VDOT to evaluate what went right and wrong and to explore ways to improve their response. VDOT's Fairfax Residency has come back with a number of measures they believe will result in better service this winter: better phone communication - the VDOT telephone number is 631-9611, Storm Bulletins on Channel 16, and improved press/media reporting. They are also working toward improving equipment (increased privatization, two way radios).

VDOT's performance can be enhanced by some common sense actions on your part!

- When snow is forecast, *try not to park on the street or at the end of cul-de-sacs*. If possible, park in your driveway to give the plows room to work.
- It's best to shovel your driveway *after* the snow plow has been down your street. If you must shovel before, shovel to the *right*, facing the street. This means less snow will be pushed back into your driveway. *Please shovel your sidewalks*. VDOT does not remove snow from sidewalks, they do the roads.
- Don't get mad if you see a plow and he seems to be overlooking your street. Sometimes more than one plow is assigned to a subdivision and yours may be on the way.
- For medical emergencies in areas where the roads have not been plowed, call 911.

YOUR SIDEWALK AND STREETS

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), owns and maintains sidewalks and streets in Virginia. My office works closely with VDOT to ensure that the interests and needs of our Braddock Community are addressed. Sidewalk, curb, and gutter replacement is scheduled by VDOT in accordance

with maintenance guidelines to determine which neighborhoods are most in need of repair. Once an annual funding level has been allocated my office schedules a meeting for VDOT to meet with community association representatives in neighborhoods where repairs are planned. The following are some frequently asked questions:

- **Who does the work?** VDOT, using private contractors. Funding comes from your gasoline taxes.
- **Why is VDOT doing this when they could be building roads with the money?** The State has a policy to reserve a portion of transportation funding every year for maintenance of existing infrastructure.
- **Why was a certain stretch of sidewalk replaced while another was not? What are the criteria for replacing sidewalks?** Each section of sidewalk is a judgement call by VDOT. Sometimes a sidewalk appears to be in good condition, but is eroded underneath, causing cracking, swelling and/or collapsing of sidewalk segments further down the road. The erosion problem is corrected by removing whole sections of sidewalk and placing gravel and piping underneath new concrete.
- **Where is my subdivision on the list for sidewalk replacement?** VDOT has developed a priority list that has all of the streets in Fairfax County listed. At this time the list is being updated. As soon as VDOT finishes the list my office will have a copy.

INFO "TO GO"

On September 16th the Fairfax County Department of Information Technology activated multi-media **KIOSKS** at six government centers including Mason (on Columbia Pike in Annandale), West Springfield (on Rolling Rd.) and Franconia (on Franconia Rd. in Springfield). These information centers provide access to 500 pages of information about County agencies and the public schools. **Transactions available include payment of personal property and real estate taxes by Discover Card.** The kiosks will print application forms, directions, home security surveys and consumer complaint forms that may be filled out and turned in on-site. You may also leave information for County agencies on the system, fill out a subscription request for Parktakes or an application to become a child care provider.





COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAMS

Back to the Future!

They may cause you to do a double take, but yes - you saw correctly - police patrolling on bicycles in Burke Centre and in downtown Annandale. The Fairfax County Police Department's (FCPD) **Community Policing Program** provides "up close and personal" policing in compactly developed neighborhoods. Community Policing's concept is a return to the old fashioned "cop on the beat" who knew his or her neighborhood well and often served as a role model for neighborhood youth. Community Policing Satellite stations usually consist of a small base office and bicycle patrols. Often they provide a link with other County agencies.

The FCPD School Education Officer (SEO) Program, operates in cooperation with Fairfax County Public Schools. Officers visit elementary schools and talk to students about safety issues such as; walking to school, stranger safety, the need to "buckle- up", bicycle safety, gang avoidance and substance abuse. In addition, the **FCPD School Resource Officer (SRO)** Program, assigns a police officer to every one of the County's high schools and to six of the junior high schools. Their mission is to provide a safe environment for the students and staff through prevention and enforcement support.

FAST FAX is a free service sent to area businesses to provide current information on fraudulent check and credit card activity, financial crime trends and criminal lookouts. Any business wishing to receive these police update faxes should call the Crime Analysis Officer at their District Station.

Neighborhood Watch coordinators should contact their District Station Crime Prevention Officer to receive a **free cellular phone with service**. These phones are provided by the Federal Government as part of Federal crime prevention programs. The phones are pre-programmed with 2 numbers, 911 and 691-2131 (the police non-emergency number).

THE LAND AROUND YOU

The purchase of your home is often the most important financial investment of your life. Not only are you buying your dream home, you are buying the community around it. If that community includes undeveloped land, be sure to inquire about its future use. Don't assume all wooded lots are park land. Check also to see if area roads are planned for future widening or realignment.

Every parcel of land in Fairfax County is zoned and planned for something. Zoning is the designation governing the legal use permitted on a parcel of land. The County's Comprehensive Plan is a guide, a very powerful tool, which indicates how we would like to see land developed. Sometimes a property's zoning and Comprehensive Plan designation are the same. Sometimes they are not.

When a property owner chooses to develop his land, he has two choices. He can build "by right" in accordance with the property's zoning, or he can ask for a re-zoning (or sometimes a "special exception") to develop it in accordance with the County's Comprehensive Plan. Before buying your home, decide if you are satisfied with the planning and zoning of land and roads around you. Remember that others in your community may have purchased their homes and properties *because* of those things.

A copy of the County's Zoning Ordinance and maps and the Comprehensive Plan can be reviewed in our County libraries and government centers. My office is also glad to help you to identify the potential uses for land and roads. The Comprehensive Plan is reviewed regularly and can be changed through a process involving Citizen Task Forces and formal public hearings before the Board of Supervisors. **1996 is a year when modifications can be made to policy issues which govern the Plan.** I have scheduled a series of meetings for a **Braddock District Task Force** to consider and make recommendations regarding the 100 or so nominations that have been received to modify the Plan. I recruited Task Force members by contacting community association representatives serving our Braddock neighborhoods. If you would like to participate in future Comprehensive Plan Reviews, please let my office or your community association president know of your interest.

YOUR CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...



The Volunteer Center of Fairfax County, in partnership with the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, is sponsoring its second annual **VOLUNTEERFEST**, a day of service, as part of national "Make a Difference Day." The Center is recruiting individuals and teams to take part in a wide variety of service projects on **Saturday, October 26, from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.** Scout troops, youth groups, churches, government teams and individuals are encouraged to participate in projects such as painting group homes, clearing trails, landscaping parks, reforestation along interstate roadways, helping at homeless shelters and more. In the Braddock District we'll be repairing storm damage on the Accotink Trail and cleaning up in and around the Wakefield Recreation Center. For information or to volunteer, please call the Volunteer Center at 246-3460.

FAIRFAX FISH, is a private, non-profit organization, that responds to requests from the poor and elderly for life's necessities. They are looking for individuals and families to provide **food baskets** for the needy during the upcoming holiday season. They are also looking for drivers to help deliver food. For more information call Kathy Weaver at 764-3259.

JUVENILE COURT is seeking volunteers to supervise small groups of court-involved youth as they perform four hours of community service on Saturdays. A six-month commitment is required. Volunteers do not need to be available *every* Saturday. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age. Training is provided. Call Carol Coile at 246-4908 for more information.

THE GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL provides programs for girls within the County's Court system. Their goal is to increase the girls' self-esteem, engage them in positive group activities, and help develop leadership and service skills. Volunteers meet with girls at the Juvenile Detention Center, the Less Secure Shelter, and the Girls Probation House on a regular basis. Share in an evening activity, such as: teaching a song or dance, talking about your career, bringing a craft project, or sharing your experiences. The possibilities are endless and a lengthy time commitment is not necessary. Call Barbara Coates at (202) 337-4300.

YOURS FOR THE ASKING

Please contact my office for the following brochures:

- **AN INTRODUCTION TO THE FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - A Guide to the Government Center and County Agencies**
- **FAIRFAX COUNTY - A NEWCOMER'S GUIDE**
- **FAIRFAX COUNTY - JUST A TOUCH AWAY** Guide to County Services
- **FAIRFAX COUNTY - MINI DIRECTORY**
- **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**
VRE, Rider's Guide
METRO, Bus & Rail Routes & Fare Information
METRO, A Guide to the Nation's Capital
METRORAIL, Saturday Express
FAIRFAX CONNECTOR Routes
CITY OF FAIRFAX CUE BUS, Routes
- **RECYCLING INFORMATION**
- **TAX FACTS** - About County Taxes
- **VOTING INFORMATION**
Absentee Voting Application
- **ELDERLINK** - Care giving solutions for the elderly and their families
- **WELCOME TO ELDERHOSTEL**
Brief introduction to Elderhostel Programs
- **THIS MONTH, FAIRFAX COUNTY LIBRARIES** Schedule of activities
- **DISCOVER YOUR REGIONAL PARKS**

Remember that personal property taxes must be paid and 1997 vehicle decals purchased by October 5th! You can pay by mail, telephone, the County's new Kiosks, a modem-equipped computer or using a Discover Card. Because this date falls on Saturday this year, penalties and interest will not be assessed if the payments are made by October 7th.

A "SPRUCING UP" AT LAKE ACCOTINK PARK

Trail renovations at Lake Accotink were completed last Spring. They included the replacement of two bridges along with the widening and some resurfacing of the main trail. Additional renovations, approved in the 1988 Park Bond referendum, are expected to begin in early '97 and take approximately two years to complete. Projects include:

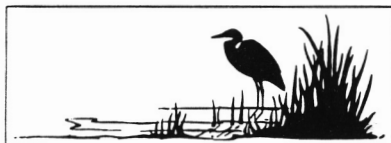
- Renovation of the existing ticket building and snack bar, to include new exterior seating.
- A new pavilion with rest rooms, added parking, a new volleyball court and renovation of the basketball court.
- Improvements to the park's Heming Avenue entrance
- Relocating and covering the Carousel
- Enlarging the boat rental docking area and construction of a floating dock.
- A new miniature golf course.
- Improved signage throughout the park.

TROUT FISHING opens at Lake Accotink on October 12.

Fishing is from 7 A.M. to dusk until Dec. 1st.

Anglers can choose between

a daily \$6 special event fee, a 10-visit money-saving pass for \$35, an unlimited fall pass for \$45 or an unlimited season pass (spring and fall) for \$60. A 10% discount is available for seniors and children. A Virginia State fresh water fishing license is required.



BACKYARD COMPOSTING SEMINARS

Free seminars on composting will be held on Saturdays from 10:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. at the following locations:

October 19	Chantilly Regional Library
October 26	Tysons Pimmit Library
November 2	John Marshall Library

For more information or registration call 324-5436.

"THERE'S NOTHING TO DO!"

This is a common lament among teenagers. Fairfax County's Director of Community & Recreation Services is making lemonade out of lemons by reallocating reduced financial resources to establish **TEEN CENTERS** in various parts of the County.



The Braddock Teen Center began this summer temporarily at Woodson High School. With the opening of school, activities have moved to **Kings Glen Elementary School, 5401 Danbury Forest Drive in Springfield.** Hours of operation are Fridays, 6-11 P.M. and Saturday, 7 P.M. to Midnight. Young people can socialize with each other while enjoying Nintendo, movies, volleyball, card games, flag football and much, much more. As the program develops, activities such as mentoring programs, tutoring programs, competitive sports opportunities, and regular dances are planned.

Eventually, we expect to have a permanent home at **Wakefield Park Recreation Center.** Starting in January, activities will be held at Wakefield Rec Center every Friday and Saturday night. Give my office a call for more information!



RECYCLING NEWS

Because of persistent vandalism and the inability to expand opportunities for recycling materials, the Drop Off Center at the **Burke K-Mart** will be closed as of October 1. The following items are accepted for recycling at the **Wakefield Park Drop Off Center**: glass bottles, # 1 and 2 plastic bottles, mixed paper, magazines, telephone books, cardboard, metal food and beverage cans, newspapers and button batteries. The **I-66 and I-95 Recycling and Disposal Facility** accepts all items listed above plus appliances, used motor oil, used automobile batteries and brush. Call 324-5230 for Household Hazardous Waste Information and 324-5052 for general information. For information regarding free mulch call 324-5995.

Mark Your Calendars
FALL TOWN MEETING

**Protections & Prohibitions
THE COUNTY'S ZONING ORDINANCE
AND REVITALIZATION**

Guests

Kathleen A. Mitchell
Director, Revitalization Division
Fairfax County Department of Housing
and Community Development

Carl Sivertsen
Deputy Zoning Administrator
Fairfax County Zoning Enforcement Branch

Roy Eidem
Supervisor, Environmental Health
Fairfax County Health Department

Officer John Burdette
Master Police Officer, Impoundment Unit
Fairfax County Police Department

David Flagler
Director
Fairfax County Department of Animal Control

Wednesday, October 16, 1996

7:30 P.M.

**Little Run Elementary School
4511 Olley Lane, Fairfax**

*A taped version of the program will appear on Cable
Channel 16 at 8 P.M. on Oct. 22, Nov. 4 and Nov. 11.*

DID YOU KNOW?....

● **Northern Virginia Mediation Service** accepts the following cases on a no-fee basis:

Disputes between neighbors
Consumer disputes under \$1000
Landlord/Tenant disputes under \$1500
Parent/Teen disputes
Intra-family disputes (not divorce/ litigation)
Attorney fee disputes not involving litigation

For more information, call 993-3656

● **The Learning in Retirement Institute (LRI)** offers 30 academic courses during fall and spring semesters at George Mason University. Courses are developed and directed by members (generally 50 to 70 in age). Annual membership is \$200. For more information, call LRI at 503-3384

● **The Northern Virginia Soil & Water Conservation District** provides free assistance to individual homeowners and community associations with problems such as soil stabilization, drainage, storm water management, pond management and stream bank erosion. Engineers are available for site visits. Call 324-1460 for assistance.

● **Fairfax County Information Network (FCIN)** is available on-line. Information about Public Safety, Parks, Personnel, the Board of Supervisors and much more is literally at your finger tips. FCIN is reached by dialing 802-3270. Use N,8,1 to log on!

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