

**Fairfax County History Commission  
Monthly Meeting**

October 2, 2024, 7:30 p.m.  
Fairfax County Government Center  
Conference Room 7  
12000 Government Center Parkway,  
Fairfax, Virginia 22030

The Fairfax County History Commission conducted an in-person meeting with some remote attendees on October 2, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m.

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**Call to Order**

**1. Audibility of Members' Voices**

Before proceeding, Chairperson Garvey-Hodge ensured mutual audibility for the Commission members attending online. Commission members joining virtually confirmed their audibility and location accordingly.

**Attendance**

**Commissioners Present per Districts:**

Lynne Garvey-Hodge, *Chair*  
Esther McCullough, *Vice Chair* \*  
Anne Stuntz, *Secretary*  
Elise Murray, *Treasurer*  
Anne Barnes  
Sallie Lyons  
Tammy Mannarino  
Sue Kovach Shuman  
Cheryl-Ann Repetti  
Subhi Mehdi  
David Meyer  
Gretchen Bulova  
Jenee Lindner  
Margo Coleman\*

**District:**

At-Large  
Sully  
Hunter Mill  
Hunter Mill  
Mount Vernon  
Mount Vernon  
Mount Vernon  
Providence  
Sully  
Dranesville  
Fairfax City  
Braddock  
Springfield  
Mason

**Commissioners Excused:**

Brian Heintz

**Commissioners Absent:**

Jordan Tannenbaum

**County Liaisons Present:**

Laura Kviklys, Heritage Resources Branch, Department of Planning and Development;  
Stephanie Newman, Heritage Resources Branch, Department of Planning and Development;  
Elizabeth Crowell, Archaeology and Collections Branch, Fairfax County Park Authority;  
Christopher Barbuschak, Virginia Room, Fairfax County Public Library;  
Jenna Gilbert, Heritage Conservation Branch, Fairfax County Park Authority

**Staff Present:**

Keisha Strand, History Commission Clerk

**Special Guests Present:**

None

*\*Joined virtually or by phone (voice-only)*

*\*\*Joined after roll call*

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**Welcome, Announcements, and Opening Business**

Chair Announcements, Lynne Garvey-Hodge:

Chairperson Garvey-Hodge began the meeting with the following announcements:

- Esther and Lynne will be working with Keisha on the September minutes. Stay tuned.
- “Fun Fact” from Commission Member, Sallie Lyons, Mount Vernon, shared about the history of Arthur T. Hyde’s house in Colchester.
- Lynne Garvey-Hodge announced that October is the month of celebration for Italian Heritage as well as Disabilities.
- Lynne Garvey-Hodge shared that the onboarding draft template will be updated based on feedback received from commission members.
- Election of New Vice Chair unclear of the motion or second from the vote last month.

**Elise Murray moved and was seconded by Jene Lindner and Anne Barnes, to elect Esther McCullogh as Vice Chair of the Fairfax County History Commission, and the motion passed unanimously.**

*A discussion occurred about the recorder that is owned by the commission. David to reach out to Elliott on its whereabouts.*

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**Minutes**

*The April 2024 and September 2024 minutes will be voted on at the next meeting.*

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**Treasurer’s Report**

Elise Murray reviewed the Treasurer's report for the period ending July 1, 2024. See **Attachment 1** for the October report.

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### Staff Reports

#### Heritage Resources Branch, Laura Kviklys and Stephanie Newman:

- Laura Kviklys and Stephanie Newman, Fairfax County Department of Planning and Development, gave projects, program, and staff updates. See **Attachment 2** for the staff report.
- They reviewed VFOIA updates and submission of event notices, and will reach out to the Office of the County Attorney (OCA) to receive answers to commission questions.

*There was a discussion between the commission on noticing events, commission member attendance, and discussions at events.*

- They reviewed upcoming events and dates for several public hearings on cases involving historical sites in Fairfax County.

#### Archaeology and Collections Branch (ACB), Elizabeth Crowell:

- Dr. Elizabeth Crowell, Fairfax County Park Authority, provided ACB program and project updates to the Commission.
- Provided staff at River Bend, presenting their historic context, which was developed for the archaeological project to assist them with their interpretive planning efforts.
- Work has been initiated at the Carter Family Cemetery.
- Hosting an October event, "Archttober Fest", to be held on October 12, 2024, from 10am-2pm at the Sully Historic Site. Staff will be conducting activities and teaching the public on how archaeology contributes to interpretation.
- Staff will be attending the Council of Virginia Archaeologists (COVA) conference in Williamsburg, VA, on November 16, 2024, Staff will be demonstrating how they are currently using some of the devices, funded by the History Commission, to map and mark sites.
- Completed Archeology field work at Fairfax Arms in Colchester, and currently conducting laboratory analysis on artifacts recovered from Fairfax Arms.
- Arranged for a ground penetrating radar study to be done at Mount Gilead.

#### Heritage Conservation Branch (HCB) and Resident Curator Program, Jenna Gilbert:

- Jenna Gilbert provided HCB project and program updates to the Commission on behalf of HCB staff.
- Historic Sites Volunteer Corps hosted their October event at Clemjjontri Park. Twelve volunteers participated to produce 60 hours. The next event will be at Ashgrove, date to be determined.
- Resident Curator staff received an application for the Ashgrove property. The evaluation team meeting will be advertised soon.
- HBC is accepting applications for the Lahey Lost Valley property. The application

period will close after 30 days of receiving an application.

- The public hearing for the approval Mount Gilead curator lease will be on October 22, 2024.
- ARB approved demolition of the Mount Gilead Carriage house. The conditions are to document the building, following clearing and scrubbing, and save items for the rebuild.

#### Virginia Room, Christopher Barbuschak

- Christopher Barbuschak, Fairfax County Public Library, provided staffing, program, collection, and archive updates. See **Attachment 3** for the Virginia Room staff report.
- Eric Carzone will be the new Library Director, to begin on November 4, 2024. He comes from Montgomery County.
- There was a
- ‘Late Night in the Virginia Room’ event, which was open until 11pm, 20 people in attendance for a great event.
- The Virginia Room hosted a lecture for NOVA’s History 180 Archaeology Class, and the Fairfax County Youth Leadership Program.
- Several commissioners donated yearbooks and drawings to the Virginia Room.
- There will be a ceremony for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the WO&D Railroad Trail, several County Supervisors and staff will be in attendance. Monday, October 7, 2024, at 10am.

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### **Committee Reports**

#### Budget and Inventory Committees, Elise Murray:

- Elise Murray provided an update regarding the annual budget allocation as well as funding for the “Fairfax Resolves”. As agreed, she will request \$21,013 along with supporting documentation to approve the funding.
- There was no update for the Inventory Committee

#### History Conference Committee, Chairperson Lynne Garvey-Hodge:

- Ann Stuntz, requested for the commissioners to take a few flyers to make sure that their district supervisor has one.
- Chairperson Lynne Garvey-Hodge reported that Elise Murray will be the handler for the History Commission Conference. The committee met last week, next meeting is October 22, 2024, at 7:30pm. Sherwood Library, Nan Netherton Room, 2nd Floor. There are 88 people registered out of a possible 130 spaces; all of the exhibitor tables have been taken. Bull Run Round Table will have a lot of attendance. There is a video, and several dignitaries and commission members will be in the video.

#### Awards Committees, Chairperson Lynne Garvey-Hodge:

- Five awards have been submitted, to include Lifetime Achievement, Cultural Heritage Engagement, Nan Netherton, Edith Moore Sprouse, and the Beth Mitchell awards. See **Attachment 4** for list of winners.

**Elise Murray moved and was seconded by Tammy Mannarino, to grant the approval for the monetary awards of \$1,100.00, and to approve the purchase of eleven plaques up to \$650.00, for a total of \$1,750.00, and the motion passed unanimously.**

Advocacy Committee, Annual Report, and County Children’s Project, Ann Stuntz:

- Ann Stuntz, noted that the Advocacy Committee supported Oakton Day in August, and discussed history with people who don’t know we exist; they are a lot of fun. Upcoming is Octoberfest and Providence event this Saturday, October 5, 2024.
- Lynne, reported that the coloring book is still in the works

Onboarding Commission

- Chairperson Lynne Garvey-Hodge working on the flyers from the feedback provided by the commissioners.

Ethnic and Oral History Committee, Esther McCullough:

- Esther McCullough updated the Commission that the Ethnic and Oral History Committee held a meeting in September. They discussed presenting blurbs on history to the public, not on a set schedule, but from time to time. The committee needs to decide how they will meet in the future, as there has not been a quorum to be able to have an official meeting.
- October 17<sup>th</sup> will be the interview for Commissioner Subhi Mehdi.

Ft. Belvoir Committee, Tammy Mannarino:

- Tammy Mannarino reviewed that there is a working group of stakeholders to name a new housing village at Fort Belvoir to Young Village, after the historic segregated Officers’ Housing. There will be a vote next month, and it is requested that the commission consider the name.

250<sup>th</sup> Commission, Gretchen Bulova:

- Gretchen Bulova shared about the Regional 250<sup>th</sup> meeting at Oakland, which included an overview of what has happened so far and initiatives to come. Fairfax County 250<sup>th</sup> Commission, still working on opt in list serve and newsletter. They will be presenting to the Board of Supervisors and have submitted a budget to the county for the Signature Experience, for a mobile exhibit that will go to the schools, parks, etc.
- The History Commission 250<sup>th</sup> Committee had a great meeting, which included discussions on how the Committee can support the Fairfax County 250<sup>th</sup> Commission. The Facebook page has been converted and Chris Barbuschak will be updating it. Next committee meeting will be on October 22, 2024.

Architecture Review Board (ARB) Liaison, Elise Murray:

- Elise Murray, The ARB had to regretfully approve the demolition of the carriage house at Mount Gilead. The Park Authority did not have the money to maintain the house, which left it neglected and now it has to come down.

Markers Committee, Cheryl-Ann Repetti:

- Cheryl-Ann Repetti indicated that the committee did not have enough members for a quorum. There is a draft that was report that is still being worked out, to hopefully be presented next month. The Pines letter was sent in accordance with a motion passed at the September 2024 meeting.

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**Old/Unfinished Business**

Re-naming of Bailey's Community Center to Minnie H. Peyton Community Center at Baileys, September 14, 2024 – 10:00am Margo Coleman:

- Margo Coleman stated that the event went well, with great weather. Lots of dignitaries were present and spoke. Each speaker took time to thank the History Commission, and those who played a role in making the event happen.
- There is a plan to have a Springdale marker placed in the community. Margo Coleman will work with Cheryl-Ann Repetti for this.
- Esther McCullough thanked the Colemans for pursuing this cause and making sure that the project happened.

Update on AAHI Project, Updates from Mary Lipsey:

- Lynne Garvey-Hodge stated that Mary submitted updates, she will share with the commission.

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**New Business**

- No new business.

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**Announcements (See Recording)**

- Jenee Lindner spoke on a panel for the Association of African American Military History, Pittsburg, PA,
- Sally Lyons will be going to the Annual Archaeology meeting, listening to speakers and possibly having them speak for the commission events.
- Tammy Mannarino, met with fellow in residence at Mount Vernon who is researching about Ann Washington, that there is evidence she was mixed race.
- Still working on dates for the bylaws committee, per Anne Barnes
- Sue Kovach Shuman, reported on programs for the Historical Society of Fairfax

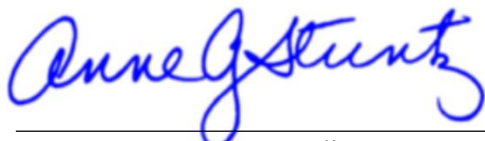
County. Mary Lipsey will be discussing her book on Sunday, October 6, 2024, at George Mason beginning at 12:30pm. Mary Anne Dobbins will be at Merrifield on Sunday, October 13, 2024, at 2pm.

- Lynne Garvey-Hodge, The Suffragist Memorial in September, had a wonderful presentation, Judge Quander was there. On October 25, 2024, Lynne will be at turning point for a Leadership for Women Program.
- David Meyer, Jeff McKay asked him to serve on a board to help with homelessness. The City of Fairfax put money in their budget as part of the strategic plan for the Office of Historic Resources, 1-, 2-, and 5-year plan, to include a discussion about needing a new museum. Also, have endangered buildings and the city will receive proposals for readapting those building.
- Subhi Mehdi, Supervisor Bierman has selected the second commissioner for Dranesville and may be here in November.

*Lynne Garvey-Hodge adjourned the meeting at 9:33 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted:

Keisha Strand  
Clerk, Fairfax County History Commission



Anne Stuntz, Corresponding Secretary  
Fairfax County History Commission

Date: 04/09/2025

#### **Attachments**

- Attachment 1: Treasurer's Report, October 2024
- Attachment 2: DPD Branch Report October 2024
- Attachment 3: Virginia Room Staff Report
- Attachment 4: Conference List of Awards
- Attachment 5: Archeology and Collections Branch report
- Attachment 6: Heritage Conservation Branch and Resident Curator Program report
- Attachment 7: Nominating Committee Report
- Attachment 8: Conference Committee report
- Attachment 9: Ft Belvoir Working group report
- Attachment 10: Ft Belvoir Lesser Known History
- Attachment 11: Fairfax 250th report
- Attachment 12: 250th Committee minutes
- Attachment 13: ARB report
- Attachment 14: The Pines letter

Attachment 1

**Fairfax County History Commission  
Treasurer's Report for October 2, 2024 Meeting**

**September**

Beginning balance: All Accounts		\$71,382.77 *
<u>DPD</u>		
Beginning Balance		\$69,885.65
Expenditures:		
Minute Taker Fee	\$900.00	
FICA	52.77	
Social Security	12.34	
Total	<u>965.11</u>	
Ending balance		\$68,920.54
<u>FCPA-History Conference</u>		
Balance: July 1, 2024		\$1,497.12
Ending Balance: All Accounts		<u>\$70,417.66</u>

\* Adjusted to reflect current Park Authority account balance.

Submitted by Elise Ruff Murray  
FCHC Treasurer

Attachment 2

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Department of Planning and Development/Heritage Resources Branch (DPD-HRB) Update  
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**Ongoing Projects:**

- **Black/African American Historical Marker Project:** Approximately 20 people were in attendance for the unveiling of the Gunnell's Chapel marker September 21, 2024 at Clemyjontri Park. Thank you Subhi for coming to support the project! The event included remarks from Supervisor Bierman, Supervisor Palchik, and Chairman McKay. The next BAAHMP marker will be unveiled in 2025, date TBD. Contact Stephanie Newman, [stephanie.newman@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:stephanie.newman@fairfaxcounty.gov), for more information.
- **Mid-Century Modern Countywide Survey:** A final draft of the survey report and public information meeting are anticipated Fall 2024. For more information visit: [Midcentury Modern Historic Resource Survey | Planning Development \(fairfaxcounty.gov\)](#), or contact Laura Kviklys, [laura.kviklys@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:laura.kviklys@fairfaxcounty.gov).
- **Gum Springs Heritage Resource Study:** The Gum Spring Heritage Resources Study continues to progress and has surpassed several milestones. In late August 2024, the architectural field survey, conducted by the subconsultant RK&K, was completed. A preliminary summary of survey data, including resource type and dates of construction of documented resources, was submitted to Commonwealth Preservation Group (CPG). Additionally, CPG has completed preliminary research and has developed a bibliography of local resources, on which to develop further research. A second community meeting is planned for **October 16, 2024**, at the Gum Springs Community Center, which will include scanning archival materials, and the collection of oral histories the following day. For more information on the project, or to sign up for newsletter updates, visit: [Gum Springs Heritage Resources Study | Planning Development \(fairfaxcounty.gov\)](#), or contact Laura Kviklys, [laura.kviklys@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:laura.kviklys@fairfaxcounty.gov)
- **Centreville Historic Resource Survey and Outreach Project:** Pedestrian fieldwork was finished in August 2024, and data entry and analysis are approximately 50% complete. This data will be used by DPD-HRB staff to shape future land use recommendations for the Centreville For more information on the study, please visit: [Plan Amendment 2022-III-BR1 | Planning Development \(fairfaxcounty.gov\)](#), or contact Laura Kviklys, [laura.kviklys@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:laura.kviklys@fairfaxcounty.gov)
- **Updated Historic Overlay District (HOD) Design Guidelines:** The Architectural Review Board (ARB) is preparing to adopt updated district-specific design guidelines documents for thirteen HODs, as well as a new county-wide General Design Guidelines document which will apply to all current and future HODs. For more information on the

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project and to view the documents, please visit: [Rewrite of the Historic Overlay District Design Guidelines | Planning Development \(fairfaxcounty.gov\)](#) Any questions about the revised or new design guidelines documents should be sent to the ARB Administrator, Daniel White, at [Daniel.white2@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Daniel.white2@fairfaxcounty.gov).

#### **Current Development Cases:**

- **Misión Evangélica, Sunnyside/DeBell House, (SP 2022-SU-00144, 6321 Old Centreville Road, Centreville), Sully District:** The applicant resubmitted revised plans which continue to propose demolition of the Sunnyside/DeBell house. A Phase II Architectural Survey has been completed. Staff are recommending interpretive mitigation such as a marker, exhibit, etc. The BZA hearing is tentatively scheduled for either December 4, 2024 or February 5, 2025.
- **Judicial Center Complex Plan Amendment and Rezoning (RZPA-2022-PR-00152), Providence District:** On June 11, 2024, the Board of Supervisors voted to approve the associated Plan amendment for the Judicial Center Complex. The concurrent rezoning case is scheduled for public hearing before the Planning Commission on **October 09, 2024**, and the Board of Supervisors, TBD. Planning Commission public hearing information can be found at [Meeting Calendar | Planning Commission \(fairfaxcounty.gov\)](#).
- **Dunn Loring Elementary School (RZ-2023-PR-00018), Providence District:** Fairfax County Public Schools resubmitted its revised application materials for the redevelopment of the Dunn Loring Elementary School site which includes the construction of a new elementary school on the parcel, and the demolition of the existing historic Dunn Loring Elementary School building, listed in the Inventory of Historic Sites. DPD-HRB Staff are requesting HABS large format photo documentation and a Phase II Intensive Level Documentation Report be completed prior to the demolition of the historic building; an interpretive exhibit about the Dunn Loring School to be installed inside the new school building prior to the opening of the new school, in collaboration with staff and the FCHC; and a wayside or historic marker be installed on the site, in collaboration with staff and the FCHC; and the preservation and conveyance of the PWA period plaque to the Virginia Room, prior to the demolition of the building. The application is scheduled for public hearing before the Planning Commission on **October 09, 2024** and the Board of Supervisors on **October 22, 2024**.

#### **Other Items**

- **DPD-HRB Staff Work Request Forms:** In partnership with the Executive Leadership Team, DPD-HRB staff have developed a *Work Request Form* for requesting professional, non-administrative assistance from County staff. This form is intended to streamline the work request process from Committees. Please contact the FCHC Chair or reach out to Laura Kviklys or Stephanie Newman with any questions.

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- **DHR Cost Share Grant for Post-Modern Historic Context and Directed Survey:** DPD-HRB Staff were notified in mid-July that the Post-Modern Historic Context and Directed Survey has been funded through the DHR Cost Share Program. The project will include the development of a historic context for Post-Modern era resources in Fairfax County, a directed survey of pre-selected buildings, and the creation of a matrix to classify and rank the identified properties according to their historical and architectural significance. The Post-Modern Historic Context and Directed Survey will include resources constructed between 1970 and 1995.
- **DHR Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant - National Register Nomination and Historical Marker for Randall Estates Subdivision:** A kickoff meeting for the Randall Estates National Register nomination study will be held on **Monday, October 7, 2024** at 6:30pm at the Hybla Valley Community Center, Gym 2 (7950 Audubon Ave, Alexandria, VA 22306). Staff from WJE, the consultant, will be introducing the study to the community at the meeting. To join the meeting virtually, please use the following link: [Randall Estates Kick off Meeting](#). The study was funded in part by VDHR's CLG grant program, and through added support by the Fairfax County History Commission.
- **CLG Grant – NAPC CAMP Training:** Heritage Resources staff were notified on June 4, 2024, that the grant has been funded through the CLG grant program. The session will be held from 9:00 am-5:00 pm at the Herrity Building on **October 18, 2024**. Please check your email for the registration link.

Attachment 3



**Fairfax County Public Library's Virginia Room  
Staff Report to the Fairfax County History Commission**

**October 2024**

**Staffing Update**

On September 30<sup>th</sup>, the Library Board of Trustees' announced the appointment of Eric Carzon as Director of Fairfax County Public Library (FCPL) beginning November 4, 2024. Eric brings over twenty-seven years of experience in public service. He came from Montgomery County Public Libraries (MCPL) where he currently serves as regional manager. Prior to his current role, Eric spent eight years as branch manager and, as part of the MCPL executive team, another 12 years as business manager.

**Programs**

- "Late Night in the Virginia Room" occurred on Friday September 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-11:00 p.m. About 20 people showed up attending two genealogy classes, Rare Book Room tours, and/or independently researched on their own.
- Chris Barbuschak guest lectured on September 9<sup>th</sup> at Northern Virginia Community College's History 180 - Historical Archaeology class speaking about the Virginia Room and the resources available to students.
- Staff gave an orientation and tour of the Virginia Room to 30 high school students who are part of the Fairfax County Youth Leadership Program (FCYLP) on September 18<sup>th</sup>.

**New Finding Aids Published**

**Ludolph Longhenry Diary, 1861-1864**

The Ludolph Longhenry Diary is a 1967 translated transcription of a three-notebook diary chronicling the life of a Civil War soldier spanning the years 1861-1863. Longhenry served in the Seventh Wisconsin Regiment. The diary was translated from German by the late Alois Wolf, Alexandria, VA, and C.J.S. Durham, Great Falls, VA. It contains descriptions of areas of Fairfax County during the Civil War. Fairfax County locations mentioned include Fairfax Court House, Falls Church, Centreville, Munson's Hill, and Chain Bridge. The current whereabouts of the original diary is unknown.

**Western Fairfax County Survey Photograph Collection, 1976-1986**

This collection consists of 35mm negatives featuring 1,516 images dating from 1976-1986. The bulk of the images were photographed during the 1985 grant-funded survey of the western area of Fairfax County and were published in a report co-authored by grant staff Betsy Chittenden and Andrea Heintzleman. Several negatives in this collection both pre-date and postdate the survey project. Images depict farms, barns, houses, schools, churches and other historic structures in the Chantilly area of Fairfax County, Virginia. Many of these sites no longer exist and have been overtaken by development.

**Donations**

- Commissioner Anne Stuntz donated 32 architectural drawings and plats from c. 1954-1968 of the Devon Park subdivision (and other Fairfax County locations).
- Commissioner David Meyer, through the estate of Bob Williams, donated a complete set of James Madison High School yearbooks from 1959-1985.
- Commissioner Tammy Mannarino donated two yearbooks from Stephen Foster Intermediate School, 1981-1982.
- Local artist Oscar Sanchez donated a framed poster of historic buildings located in the City of Fairfax. It is currently hanging on display in the Virginia Room.
- Jeff Clark donated a poster he created featuring the surviving 33 one-room schoolhouses in Fairfax County that date from 1870-1935.

Attachment 4

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## Fairfax County, Virginia



### The 2024 Twentieth Annual Fairfax County History Commission's Award Recommendations from the Awards Committee

Awards Committee Members: Brian Heintz, Elise R. Murray, Jordan Tannenbaum & Lynne Garvey-Hodge, Chairperson

1. Lifetime Achievement Award – Dr. Glenn Fatzinger
2. Cultural Heritage Engagement Award – “Black Communities of Fairfax – A History”, Retta Willson, Rita Colbert, Linneall Naylor, Rondia Prescott with Jenee Lindner
3. Nan Netherton Award – Tom Shoop \$500.00 (author, “Ilda”)
4. Edith Moore Sprouse Award – Gibran Parvez \$100.00 (multi-media, <https://heritgagedulles.com> )
5. Beth Mitchell Award – Kryston Moon, Kristin Neun & Dr. Matt Bakker \$500.00 project, “Description of Exclusion & Resilience in NOVA” (<https://documentingexclusion.org>)

Total Award Monies = \$1,100.00 up to \$650  
Each Award Plaque – Approx. \$49.99 x 11 plaques = ~~\$550.00~~  
TOTAL Cost – Awards – 2024 = \$1,100.00 + \$550 =  
approx. **\$1,600.00**

Notes for this year & next:

- \* Elise T. Murray's recommendation for the Cultural Engagement Award, “Black Communities of Fairfax”
- \* Brian Heintz's recommendation of Jack Hiller Award to T. Shoop for his photo on p. 191 “Ilda” (2024)

Attachment 5: Archeology and Collections Branch report

**Archaeology and Collections Branch, Fairfax County Park Authority**

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**Liz Crowell reporting**

ACB provided Riverbend staff with historic context we developed for archaeology onsite to assist with their interpretive planning efforts.

ACB initiated work at Carter Family Cemetery. Aimee Wells and Liz Crowell met with Gloria Runyon and DeeDee Carter, members of the Carter family, as a component of the project.

Staff will be holding an "Arctoberfest event on October 12 from 10:00-2:00. Staff has reached out to other archaeological organizations who will be present onsite that day. Staff has been coordinating with RMI and Sully staff in the planning of the event. Staff will be available for activities that will assist in the understanding of how archaeology contributes to interpretation.

Staff will be participating in the Council of Virginia Archaeologists (COVA) public outreach event to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of COVA. The event will be held at the Southeastern Archaeological Conference (SEAC) in Williamsburg on November 16.

Staff completed archaeological fieldwork at Fairfax Arms in Colchester prior to the removal of a pool. Staff is currently conducting laboratory processing and analysis of artifacts recovered from Fairfax Arms.

Staff is preparing for a ground penetrating radar study, to be followed by a Phase I archaeological investigation at Mount Gilead. This work is being done prior to the house being occupied by a Resident Curator. ACB staff also will be monitoring the demolition of the carriage house (which was recently approved by the Architectural Review Board).

Attachment 6: Heritage Conservation Branch and Resident Curator Program report

**Heritage Conservation Branch**

**Resource Management Division**

**History Commission Updates**

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**Historic Sites Volunteer Corps**

- The Historic Sites Volunteer Corps hosted their September event at historic Clemyjontri Grove, 12 volunteers signed up and dedicated 60 hours to the event!
- The Historic Sites Volunteer Corps will have its next event in October at historic Ash Grove

**Resident Curator Program Updates**

- RCP staff have received one application for the Ash Grove property. The evaluation team meeting schedule will be advertised soon. Please check the Resident Curator Program website for information and updates.
- The RCP is accepting applications for Lahey Lost Valley. Once staff receives an application, a deadline for additional applications will be set for 30 calendar days following the date the initial application was received.
- The Board of Supervisor's Public Hearing for the approval of the Mount Gilead house curator lease will be on October 22nd. Roof replacement work will begin in October.
- The Architectural Review Board took action on 9/12/2024 to approve the demolition of the Mount Gilead carriage house. The approval was issued with the following conditions – FCPA document the building following the clearing and grubbing and prior to demolition, and FCPA plan to salvage materials as reasonable, and for use in the rehabilitation of the house where possible. Staff are awaiting quotes.

## Attachment 7: Nominating Committee Report

2024 Fairfax County History Commission Nominating Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
September 24, 2024  
Tysons Pimmit Regional Library  
11:00 am – 1:00 pm

The **purpose** of the Nominating Committee is to nominate a slate of officers for the annual election of the Executive Committee ( commission officers) for the following year (2025).

The 2024 Nominating Committee comprises of three volunteer members:  
Jenee Lindner, Subhi Mehdi, and Cheryll Rapetti.

The committee elected Jenee Lindner as the Chair.

Guided by the job descriptions articulated in the commission by-laws, the committee discussed various options for the four office positions of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer.

The committee agreed to meet the following four Thursdays from 3:00 – 5:00 pm at the Tysons Pimmit Regional Library to complete its mission.

Attachment 8: Conference Committee report

**Summary of FCHC/History Conference Planning Committee Meeting 9/24/2024; 7:30pm; FCPL, Nan Netherton Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Next Meeting: October 22, 2024, Tuesday – 7:30pm, Nan Netherton Room Present: In Person: Lynne Garvey-Hodge, Cheryl-Ann Repetti, Sue Kovach Shuman Remote: Esther McCullough, Liz Crowell, Mike Irwin, Jordan Tannenbaum; Not Present: Sallie Lyons, Anne Barnes, David Meyer, Naomi Zeavin, Susan Gray, Megan Leining Theme of Conference: “WE Are Fairfax County – The Power of Place: Home!” 11/2/2024; 8:30am – 4:00pm; The Stacy C. Sherwood Center 3740 Blenheim Blvd, Fairfax, VA 22030; (703) 385-1695; COMPLIMENTARY CONFERENCE including Breakfast & Lunch**-----

----- Per the Reminder email sent out on 9/24/2024 – 12:01AM, we discussed the following & more: In terms of Budget, the Commission voted on 9/4/2024 to increase our budget to \$6,500.00 – which was exceedingly good news! \* We will gather and list on a flyer (that has the Agenda for the day on one side) placed on the tables, the names of all Conference Committee members since our first year working together. It is with great pride & joy that we can note how steadfast our committee has been these past 20 years! Bravo! We will also list current FCHC Advisory Committee members. \* Flow of the day stays the same as decided in August, 2024; All speakers have received the Agenda/Run-of-Show and the blue, 2 page Conference Flyer \* We have printed 500 Conference flyers (most recently Anne Stuntz valiantly delivered flyers to over 8 locations – THANK YOU, ANNE!!) and spent \$94.50 +\$152.00 – we are close to our \$350.00 allotment; still need Feedback sheets printed & miscellaneous; Flyers will be distributed to the Commission members on 10/2/2024 \* With a surprise of more registrations than expected to date (compared to the past at this time of year) we are looking at a full audience of attendees. The 10 exhibitor/author tables have been registered for. Cheryl & Sue have agreed to host the Registration table. Due to our budget we will cap registrations at 130. \* As of 9/30/2024, Elise R. Murray who will be in attendance – has agreed to assist in getting VIP’s to their correct table and making sure they have everything they might need. \* Still to be done: ordering of balloons & chrysanthemums for the stage + any needed table cloths We also give Presenters a small gratitude plaque, which will need to be created soon. (Lynne has a template for same) \* The Awards Committee has completed their decisions on the Awards; 11 award plaques will be distributed and \$1,100.00 in Award monies given. W-9 forms will need to be sent to Awardees and Presenters who will be receiving Honorariums. \* Lynne has a note into Kaveh w/ The City of Fairfax to see if we might be able to set up the afternoon of 11/1/2024 \* Several Commission members & past Commission members have offered to donate their authored books for Trivia prizes \* Someone needs to take charge of getting the signage up and the “Drop & Swap” table set up and monitored \* Sue & Esther are working out our food for the day & we will likely not order personalized cookies; they are expensive. (as much as \$4+ each); Jordan will need assistance in picking up and bringing the morning breakfast bagels to SCC. \* Gretchen Bulova is aware that we will need approx. 130 “Fairfax Resolves” \* We discussed the continued creation of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Video – Liz & Esther have agreed to review a batch of pics from Jack Hiller’s “reserve” & identify key pics that really “pop” & tell our story. If this could be done by Fri., 10/4 & forwarded to me, that would be great. Sharon Bulova, Jeff McKay, Gerry Connolly, Mary Lipsey, Barbara Naef have all agreed to provide background voice overs for the video & filming dates are being made & recordings completed. The meeting ended a bit before 9:00pm. THE NEXT Meeting will be on Tuesday, 10/22/2024 – 7:30pm – Same place: FCPL – Nan Netherton Room. Please be in touch if I left something out or if you have any questions. THANK YOU.

*Lynne*

**Summary of FCHC/History Conference Planning Committee Meeting 8/27/2024; 7:30pm; FCPL, Nan Netherton Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Next Meeting: September 24, 2024, Tuesday – 7:30pm, Nan**

**Netherton Room Present:** In Person: Lynne Garvey-Hodge Remote: Esther McCullough, Liz Crowell, Mike Irwin; **Not Present:** Sallie Lyons, Sue Kovach Shuman, Anne Barnes, David Meyer, Naomi Zeavin , Susan Gray, Megan Leining, Jordan Tannenbaum, Chery-Ann Repetti Theme of Conference: **“WE Are Fairfax County – The Power of Place: Home!”** 11/2/2024; 8:30am – 4:00pm; The Stacy C. Sherwood Center 3740 Blenheim Blvd, Fairfax, VA 22030; (703) 385-1695; COMPLIMENTARY CONFERENCE including Breakfast & Lunch A short meeting was had & we were done by 8:15pm. A small change to the Conference Agenda was discussed and the afternoon session will now reflect “Our Black Neighbors: Then & Now” preceding our 2<sup>nd</sup> Keynote speaker, Dr. Doug Owsley. See attached updated Agenda for close to final summary of the conference. Leonard Orange from Channel 16 will be overseeing the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary video production which we discussed. Short video interviews with the theme: “Commentaries on Conferences: Past, Present & Future” & with potential interviewees were identified: Gerry Connolly, Sharon Bulova, Debbie Robison, Carol Herrick, Mike Irwin & Esther McCullough (could be more?). Schedules w/ both Channel 16 and the interviewees will also determine who will speak. Lynne will have a first draft of a script ready by the 9/6/2024 for Leonard. We are still in the photograph/video gathering mode. Marion Hiller has been contacted to see if she can access any of the many, many pictures that Jack had taken during the conference & Nancy Olds has been contacted, too. Gerry Connolly’s office has been contacted as well. Channel 16 will do their best to shoot footage on site of the interviewee. It was agreed that the background music for the video should be patriotic and even Civil War oriented including the piece, “Ashokan Farewell”. Former Conference flyers have been sent to Leonard along with many, many photographs. Naomi Zeavin has suggested we take a look at one of her videos from her Youtube Collection, video #5, as it includes a strong start for us to consider. Stay tuned for more information/updates at our next meeting: September 24, 2024; 7:30pm FCPL Nan Netherton Rm. The summary from our August meeting is attached – please review as I will be sharing the included budget at the 9/4/2024 History Commission meeting. We discussed the brochure – which Sarah Oberther has been hoping to work on. Lynne has created a first draft of a brochure which is attached to this email as well as summaries of all the 20 Conferences in the past + significant statistics. Please take a look! Please be in touch if you think of anything else we should include in this summary.

THANK YOU! *Lynne Garvey-Hodge*<sub>3</sub>

**Summary of FCHC/History Conference Planning Committee Meeting 7/23/2024; 7:30pm; FCPL, Nan Netherton Room, 2nd Floor Next Meeting: August 27, 2024, Tuesday – 7:30pm, Nan**

**Netherton Room Present:** In Person: Jordan Tannenbaum, Chery-Ann Repetti, Lynne Garvey-Hodge; **Remote:** Esther McCullough, Liz Crowell, Mike Irwin; **Not Present:** Sallie Lyons, Sue Kovach Shuman, Anne Barnes, David Meyer, Naomi Zeavin, Susan Gray, Megan Leining **Theme of Conference: “WE Are Fairfax County – The Power of Place: Home!”** 11/2/2024; 8:30am – 4:00pm; The Stacy C. Sherwood Center 3740 Blenheim Blvd, Fairfax, VA 22030; (703) 385-1695; **COMPLIMENTARY CONFERENCE** including Breakfast & Lunch Lynne reviewed the DRAFT Agenda. Discussion, elaboration, questions, decisions ensued including: \* Agreement on the \$1,250 cost for re-enactor Brian Hilton to launch the Conference and a projected total of conference expenditures = \$6,000 – \$6,500 to be presented at the 8/7/2024 FCHC Meeting. **Food** Continued confirmation of our Reprise of the Past, the favored breakfast was Bagels, Lox & Cream Cheese/watch #'s. Jordan will be coordinating and working with the same vendor & using his well-honed negotiating skills to order no more than 106 Bagels (his favorite number). We will be working with Panera for our lunch offerings. Jason’s more recent bids came in too high. We should have all #'s ready for a draft Budget ASAP. Esther & Sue will be working with Panera. If difficulties in communication continue, we can always go back to vendors from 2023, who are now in the county finance system.? **Agenda (see attached to this email)** Still need to discuss 20th Anniversary Conference Favors; check-in – ALL; Could this be copies of the Fairfax Resolves? Other? - Channel 16’s “20 Years of FCHC Conferences Anniversary video”. I believe of today (8/3/2024) a Final Conference Invitation via either – Cheryl or Sarah Oberther is under construction Please note next 2 pages for Conference intro. Info./DRAFT Budget. **THANK YOU all for being there! I truly believe this will be an outstanding Conference & Celebration of 20 years of Excellence in Fairfax**

**County by fulfilling our Commission mandate to Fairfax County citizens!** *Lynne Garvey -*

*Hodge*

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***“We must learn to live together as brothers and sisters or we will perish together as fools.” --Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 4***

**“WE Are Fairfax County, The Power of Place: Home”**

***“A human life, I think, should be well rooted in some spot of native land, where it may get the love of tender kinship for the face of the earth, for the labours of people to go forth to, for the sounds and accents that haunt it; for whatever will give that early home a familiar unmistakable difference among the future widening of knowledge. The best introduction of astronomy is to think of the nightly heavens as a little lot of stars belonging to one’s own homestead.” George Elliot (aka, Mary Ann***

*Evans) 5*

## **Going Home,** Song by Mary Fahl

*They say there's a place , where dreams have all gone  
They never said where, but I think I know  
Its miles through the night just over the dawn  
On the road that will take me home \*I know in my bones, I've been here before  
The ground feels the same, tho' the land's been torn  
I've a long way to go, the stars tell me so  
On this road that will take me home. \*Love waits for me round the bend  
Leads me endlessly on  
Surely sorrows shall find their end  
And all our troubles will be gone  
And I know what I've lost, and all that I won  
When the road finally takes me home. \*  
And when I pass by , don't lead me astray  
Don't try and stop me , don't stand in my way  
I'm bound for the hills where cool waters flow  
On this road that will take me home. \*  
Love waits for me round the bend  
Leads me endlessly on  
Surely sorrows shall find their end  
And all our troubles will be gone  
And we'll know what we've lost and all that we've won  
When the road finally takes me home.  
I'm going home, I'm going home, I'm going home. 6*

**Fairfax County History Commission's Annual Conference – 2024 “WE Are Fairfax County! – A County of Nations The Power of Place: Home” D R A F T Budget – 8/3/2024** *Particulars:* Location: The

**Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center** 3740 Blenheim Boulevard, Fairfax, VA 22030; · (703) 385-7858 8:30am  
- Cost: \$0.00 [Normal rental space w/ amenities would exceed \$5,000.00 for the day] THANK YOU, The Honorable

David Meyer **Attendees:** General public seating set-up for conference are round tables of 6-8 & for 110-120 attendees The Conference is completely complimentary this year with registrations being handled (as of am, 8/3/2024) – on Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/20th-annual-fairfax-county-history-conference-tickets-973459632967?aff=oddtcreator> . Will need coordination between Chery & Mike on accessibility

and maintenance of same. **Expenses [draft]** Honorariums: \* George Washington, (Brian Hilton) \$1,250.00 (+ travel??) \* George Mason (Don McAndrews) 100.00 \* Nancy Mason (Janis Harless) 100.00 \* ?? Panel Discussion members & other presenters?? Keynote Speakers \* Ron Maxwell 200.00 \* Dr. Doug Owsley 200.00 Copies of Conference flyer (*not certain if will be handled internally in the County or externally; Primarily electronically distributed*) 350.00 Miscellaneous 200.00 Table Cloths & Decorations 200.00 Award Plaques (5) @ \$45.00 + shipping (Baudville #31623) 250.00 Award costs under different account: Approx. \$500.00 **Food** (Bagels, juice, coffee, sugar, cream, fruit for breakfast; Panera for Lunch; remember 1/3 s/b vegetarian) 3,500.00

**T O T A L \$6,350.00**

**Questions left to be confirmed/answered & info. which should be included on the Conference Flyer: (1)**  
We have offered scholarships to FCPC students in the past – how to notify schools/students of same; check w/ Commission member Brian Heintz

**(2)** We have also offered CCEU's to FCPS teachers – see Brian Heintz & Craig Perrier (Lynne has a sample template from last year)

Attachment 9: Ft Belvoir Working group report  
**Report to FCHC on Fort Belvoir History Working Group  
October 3, 2024**

**Background:** Following the Secretary of the Army's letter recommending retaining the name Fort Belvoir and continuing collaboration to better understand and tell the history of the site, Dr. Moeller, Deputy to the Garrison Commander of Fort Belvoir invited Tammy Mannarino and Jenee Lindner to participate in a History Working Group. This group has grown over the summer and has worked to refine its path forward through a major shift in Fort Belvoir's leadership in August.

**Current Members of the Fort Belvoir Working Group:**

Sean Lehane, Deputy to the Garrison Commander, Fort Belvoir  
Dr. John Moeller, former Deputy Garrison Commander, Fort Belvoir  
Vance Zavela, Fort Belvoir Liaison, Fairfax County Department of Economic Initiatives  
Tammy Mannarino, Fairfax County History Commission, Mount Vernon District  
Jenee Lindner, Fairfax County History Commission, Springfield District  
Judge Rohulamin Quander, Director, Quander Historical and Educational Society Inc.  
Karen Corbett Sanders, retired Mount Vernon District Representative, Fairfax County School Board  
William Rowe, Community Volunteer and Partnership Leader, NVRC  
Niki Zimmerman, President, Fairfax NAACP\*  
Vincent Carter, President Gum Springs Civic Association, Woodlawn Descendant  
James Wells, Program Assistant Woodlawn & Pope-Leighey House  
Heather Johnson, Interim Director, Woodlawn & Pope-Leighey House

**Fort Belvoir Leadership Transition:**

In August, three key leadership positions turned over. Colonel David Stewart assumed Command of the Garrison at Fort Belvoir from Colonel Joseph Messina. Sean Lehane took over the civilian position of Deputy to the Garrison Commander from Dr. John Moeller. There was also a change of the Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Garrison Commander. Command Sergeant Major Dan Hopkins took over responsibilities from Command Sergeant Major Garth Newell.

**Fort Belvoir History Group Lines of Effort**

**First Line of Effort:** Raise Awareness of Antebellum Free Black Community of Woodlawn and Segregated Housing Development of Young Village

- Recommend interpretive signage at Fort Belvoir Elementary School as well as educational opportunities
- Recommend the new housing village be named Young Village and the streets named to memorialize African American Soldiers and local history/historical figures

**Second Line of Effort:** Improve historical interpretation of Indigenous, African American and Women's historical sites across Fort Belvoir including Belvoir Ruins

- Recommend the placement of up to 25 additional markers. Replace the signage at Belvoir manor and/or include a QR code accessing an updated history of the site

**Third Line of Effort:** Create a fuller picture of military history on Fort Belvoir.

- Recommend naming streets and suitable permanent structures on Fort Belvoir with ties to Fort Belvoir as well as to memorialize local historical figures.

**Moving Forward:**

Working Group Members are reaching out to their communities to share the efforts toward better understanding and interpreting the history of Fort Belvoir and the land it occupies. They are also seeking input regarding the name for the new housing village and other sites on post. Examples of that outreach include:

- **The Michaels Organization** – On September 18<sup>th</sup>, Vance Zavela, Tammy Mannarino, Judge Quander and Karen Corbett Sanders met with the group that is planning the new housing village at Fort Belvoir to discuss the possibilities of naming and historic interpretation that this development affords.
- **Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) Community, Military and Federal Facilities Partnership** – Tammy Mannarino provided a presentation to this group on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Working Group members, Will Rowe, Sean Lehane, Jenee Linder and Vance Zavela are regular attendees of this partnership.
- **The Association for the Study of African American Life and History** – Jenee Lindner attended their Annual Conference from September 25-29, and served as a panelist on “The Power of Art to Communicate our Military History”

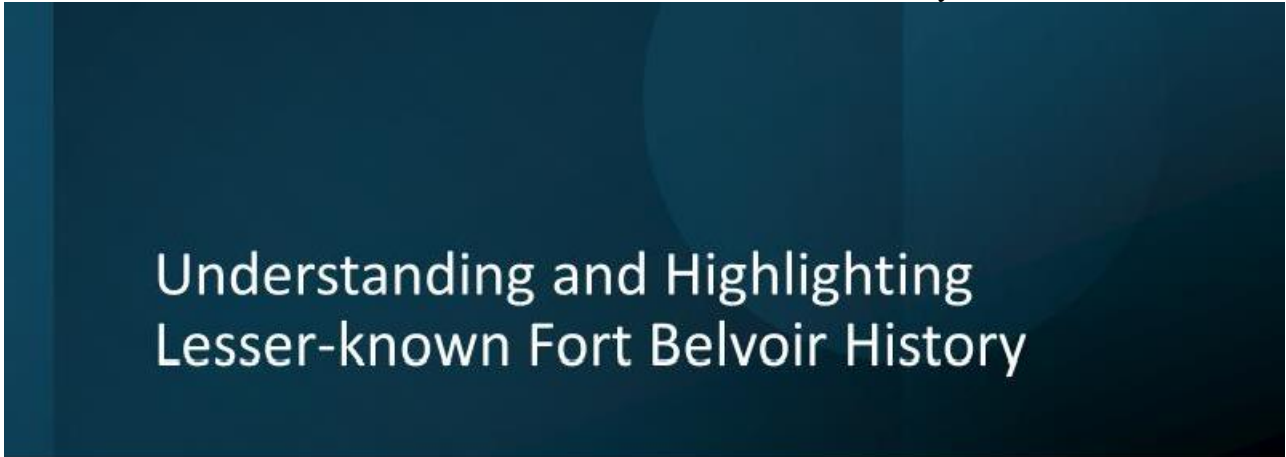
**Next Steps:**

- Working Group Tour of "Woodlawn: People and Perspectives" exhibit, which highlights the contributions of enslaved people and free Black families like the Hollands who lived and worked on the property.
- Judge Quander will include some of this information in his remarks at the History Conference.
- Seeking input regarding the name of Young Village for the new housing development. (See summary of Young Village history in Egnyte File)

**Proposed Motion for the FCHC:**

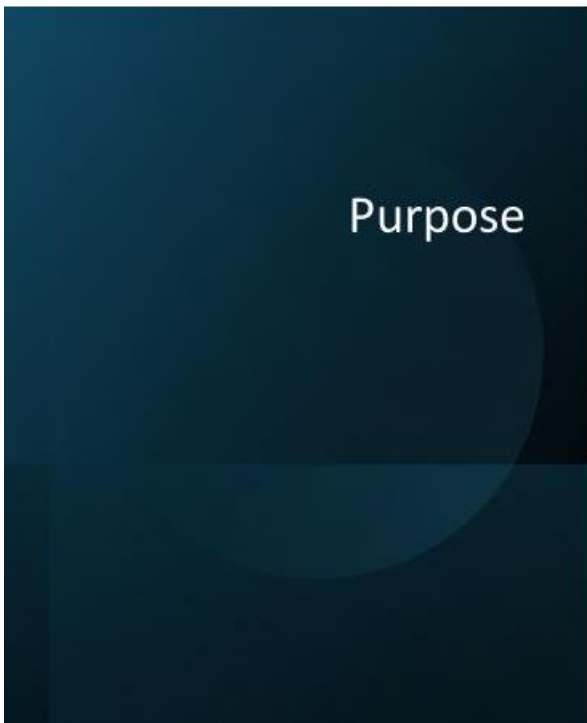
I move that the History Commission provide input regarding the use of the name of Young Village for the new housing development at Fort Belvoir at the November 6 meeting.

Attachment 10: Ft Belvoir Lesser Known History



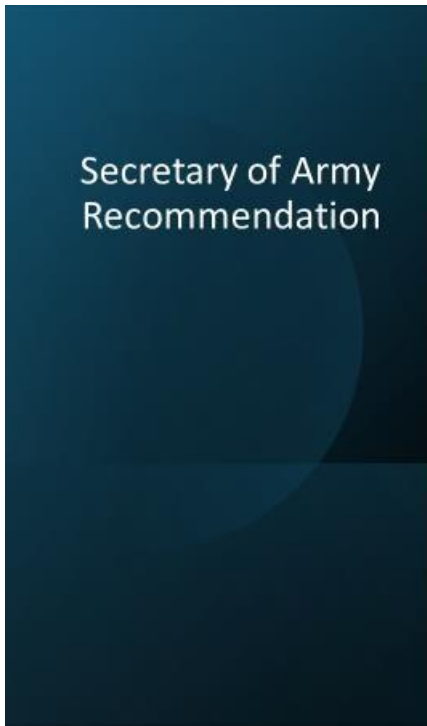
# Understanding and Highlighting Lesser-known Fort Belvoir History

Tammy Mannarino  
Fort Belvoir History Working Group  
September 19, 2024



## Purpose

To Raise Awareness of the Fuller History of Fort Belvoir following the Secretary of the Army's guidance in retaining the name Fort Belvoir.



*"I recommend that the DoD and Army retain the name Fort Belvoir and that the Army continue collaboration with stakeholders on historical research to better understand and tell the history of Fort Belvoir. Through this collaboration, the Army plans to select sites that would benefit from improved historical interpretation, including signs, markers, displays, and websites and discuss opportunities for the community to visit these sites. This endeavor will help educate both the military and the public about the variety of diverse Americans who have contributed to Fort Belvoir's history."*

Secretary of Army,  
 Christine E. Wormuth  
 Feb 21, 2024

## State and National Historical Recognition of Sites

Historic Asset	Image	National Register of Historic Places	Virginia Landmarks Register	Fairfax County Inventory of Historic Sites
Belvoir (Belvoir Mansion Ruins and Fairfax Grave)		yes	yes	yes
Woodlawn Cultural Landscape Historic District		*pending	yes	yes
Fort Belvoir Historic District		*eligible	yes	yes
Fort Belvoir Military Railroad Historic Corridor			yes	yes
Camp A.A. Humphreys Pump Station and Filter Building		*eligible	yes	yes
<del>U.S. Army Package Power Reactor</del>			yes	yes
Thermo-Con House			Yes	yes



## National, State and Local Historical Markers & Names

There are 44 Markers on adjacent and nearby Fort Belvoir that interpret related history

Streets, Gates, Villages and Buildings currently recognize

- Army Engineers
- Army Medical personnel
- Local Landowners,
- Homes of Prominent Citizens,
- Former Leadership

## Undertold Stories at Fort Belvoir: What's missing

There is limited Interpretation of Indigenous History of the Land and Waterways.

- A single marker on the Belvoir trail.
- Usage of the names Dogue and Accotink

There is limited interpretation of Enslaved and Free African American History

- A single marker at the Belvoir Ruins Site
- Uninterpreted signage for Woodlawn Cemetery

There is limited interpretation of Women's History, Civilian or Military

Historically, street, building, village names have not included individuals of diverse backgrounds.



- ❑ Belvoir Ruins (1742 – 1787)
- ❑ Woodlawn Site
  - ❑ Antebellum Free Black Community (1860 – 1940)
  - ❑ Young Village Segregated Military Community (1941 – 1958)

## Interpretation regarding the Enslaved at Belvoir Ruins

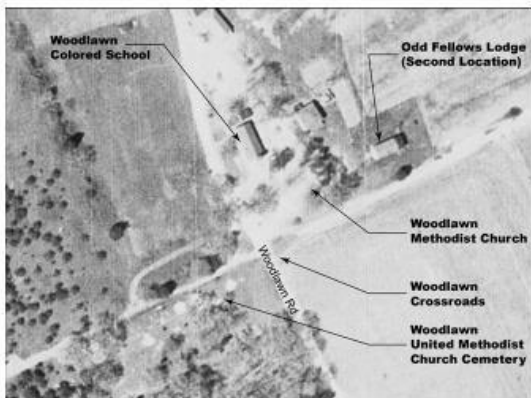


- 1749 Census
  - William Fairfax Household
    - 2 Whites, 7 Negroes
  - Lord Thomas Fairfax Household
    - 10 Whites, 15 Negroes
- William Fairfax's 1757 Will
  - 22 Enslaved persons including Scipio, Sylvia, Pompey, Punch, Adam, Old Sarah, Jack, Towlston, Moses and Suky
- George William Fairfax's 1787 Assessment (Other Plantations – Belvoir is gone)
  - 78 Enslaved, 14 listed by name
  - Tolly, Abraham, Betty, Sukey, John, Nan, Bridget bequeathed to specific people.

## Woodlawn: Antebellum Free Black Community circa 1860-1940

- Church
- School
- Odd Fellows Hall
- Cemetery (extant)

## Woodlawn – 1937 and Now



## Young's Village – Circa 1941-1958



## Next Steps: Lines of Effort in Interpreting and Highlighting Lesser Known Fort Belvoir History

### LOE 1: Raise Awareness of Antebellum Free Black Community of Woodlawn and Segregated Housing Development of Young Village

- Recommend interpretive signage at Fort Belvoir Elementary School as well as educational opportunities
- Recommend the new housing village be named Young Village and the streets named to memorialize African American Soldiers and local history/historical figures

### LOE 2: Improve historical interpretation of Indigenous, African American and Women's historical sites across Fort Belvoir including Belvoir Ruins

- Recommend the placement of up to 25 additional markers. Replace the signage at Belvoir manor and/or include a QR code accessing an updated history of the site

### LOE 3: Create a fuller picture of military history on Fort Belvoir.

- Recommend naming streets and suitable permanent structures on Fort Belvoir with ties to Fort Belvoir as well as to memorialize local historical figures.

**SITE** | CONCEPT PLAN



**PROJECT PROGRAM**

TOTAL TOWNHOUSE UNITS:	<b>200</b>
- 3 BEDROOM + FLEX ROOM UNITS:	126
- 4 BEDROOM + FLEX ROOM UNITS:	74

**PARKING:**

- TWO CAR GARAGE IN EVERY HOME	
- (ON STREET SPACES):	202

FORT BELVOIR, VA

**urbanpractice**

**Michaels**  
COMMUNITIES THAT LIVE



Questions?

Attachment 11: Fairfax 250th report

History Commission

Semiquincentennial Report

October 2, 2024

Submitted by Gretchen Bulova, Committee Chair

*State Commission*

1. Regional meeting held on October 2 at Oatlands to share 250th plans in the Northern Virginia area.

*Fairfax County 250 Commission*

1. The Commission still working on an “opt-in” list serve and newsletter.
2. Making a presentation to the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, October 8th to review 250th plans to date.
3. Submitted a budget request to the County to support a “Signature Experience” vehicle that would travel to county festivals, events, and schools between September 2025 and July 2026.

*History Commission Committee*

1. Met as a committee to coordinate History Commission initiatives and support for the 250th. The committee is researching oral history technology, short videos on Channel 16, and America250 contests for school-age students.
2. In addition, the committee will provide historical content for the “Signature Experience” as well as the FX250 newsletters.
3. The next meeting will be held October 22 at 7 p.m. at the Government Center (Room 8)

Fairfax Resolves Distribution:

- Virginia Room – 10 copies (for archive and a few to hand out)
- Freeman Store & Museum – 10 copies to go with exhibit
- Sons of the American Revolution – 150 copies for registered participants
- Allison Wickens, Mount Vernon - 25 copies - for tour in Alexandria last night
- General Public at Market Square – approximately 300 copies
- Gadsby’s Tavern for Fairfax Resolves Tour - 50
- Pohick Church - 25
- Fairfax 250 Commission Members - 10
- Fairfax Museum - 8
- Gunston Hall & Mount Vernon for Symposium – 150
- FCHC for August Meeting – 12
- Fairfax Museum – 25
- Historic Alexandria - 100
- FCPS, via Brian Heinz - 100

Additional Distribution:

- Future Fairfax 250 events
- HC History Conference (150)
- Supervisor Storck’s office
- Virginia Room
- As requested

Attachment 12: 250th Committee minutes

**Fairfax County History Commission  
250<sup>th</sup> Committee  
Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>  
Government Center Room 8  
7 – 8:30 p.m.**

Attending: Gretchen Bulova (Chair), Brian Heinz, Tammy Mannarino, Subhi Medhi, Sue Shuman

1. Role of the Committee in supporting the Fairfax250 Commission, through December 2026.
2. Review of VA250 and FX250
  - a. Themes – following those provided by VA250, Virginia’s History is America’s Story
  - b. Major events – Fairfax Resolves, VA250 July 4<sup>th</sup> celebrations, VA250 signature exhibit, VA250 History Mobile
3. Activities to support
  - a. Fairfax Resolves 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary, with publication of the pocket Fairfax Resolves
  - b. Compiled a list of history organizations in Fairfax County to use as the marketing base for the commemoration
  - c. Fairfax County 250<sup>th</sup> signature experience content curators
  - d. Oral History technology and collecting process
  - e. Channel 16 video content (12-16 episodes)
  - f. Historical content for monthly 250<sup>th</sup> newsletter (four in 2025, twelve in 2026)
4. Funding needs
  - a. Oral History component of the signature experience
    - i. Research options
    - ii. Oral Histories deposited in the Virginia Room
    - iii. Define what is captured, prompts, etc.
  - b. Proposal to the History Commission for funding
5. Assignments:
  - a. Brian: America250 contests and how can be incorporated into the signature experience visits to schools, rec centers, and SACC programs
  - b. Tammy: Map out historical content for 250<sup>th</sup> monthly newsletters
  - c. Subhi: Map out video content, with an emphasis on diverse communities today
  - d. Sue: Oral History technology used by GMU
  - e. Gretchen: Outreach to Channel 16 to determine feasibility of video content, length, frequency, etc. AND oral history collection options used by local museums and libraries
6. Next meeting: October 22 at 7 p.m. at the Government Center

Attachment 13: ARB report

**ACTION AGENDA**

**September 12, 2024**

**THE FAIRFAX COUNTY ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD**

Fairfax County Government Center  
12000 Government Center Pkwy, Fairfax  
Conference Room 232  
6:30 PM

**CALL TO ORDER- Chair**

1. Vote of audibility of remote Board Member participant(s) **ARB ACTION: UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
2. Public comment time limitations – The ARB needs to determine how long each member of the public will be able to speak during the public comment periods. The public will be allowed to comment after the consent agenda items and after each action item, as is standard ARB practice. **ARB ACTION: UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED 3 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

**NOTIFICATION OF MEETING RECORDING**

This meeting is being recorded, and the recording will be posted online within 10 days.

*Statement of Purpose and Intent of Historic Overlay Districts*

*Historic Overlay Districts are created for the purpose of promoting the general welfare, education, economic prosperity, and recreational pleasure of the public, through the perpetuation of those general areas or individual structures and premises that have been officially designated by the Board of Supervisors as having historical, cultural, architectural, or archaeological significance.*

*Regulations within such districts are intended to protect against destruction of or encroachment upon such areas, structures, and premises; to encourage uses which will lead to their continuance, conservation, and improvement in a manner appropriate to the preservation of the cultural, social, economic, political, architectural, or archaeological heritage of the County; to prevent creation of environmental influences adverse to such purposes; and to assure that new structures and uses within such districts will be in keeping with the character to be preserved and enhanced.*

*The order in which items will be heard will be set at the meeting. Additional items may be added to the agenda at the discretion of the Chair. Applicants for initial or follow-up presentations will mail drawings and other documentation as appropriate to the ARB prior to the meeting at which a project will be reviewed. If members have not received such documentation, an application may be postponed until a subsequent meeting.*

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**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA- Chair ARB ACTION: UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

**APPLICANTS, PLEASE LIMIT PROJECT PRESENTATION TIME TO 8 MINUTES FOR A FIRST SUBMISSION AND 3 MINUTES FOR A RE-SUBMISSION**

**INTRODUCTION/RECOGNITION OF GUESTS- Staff**

**CONSENT CALENDAR ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **ARB-24-LOR-14 – 8943 Lorton Rd Addition and Alterations** located at 8943 Lorton Rd Lorton, tax map 1064 01 0058, in the Lorton/Laurel Hill MOA Eligible District. The applicant is proposing renovating Building W-35 adjacent to the Workhouse Arts Center to serve as the Archaeology and Museum Collections Storage Facility for the Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA). The facility will house the county's existing and future museum and archaeology collections and associated support space. The proposal includes retaining the existing building, with new openings and renovations to the interior, as well as a 1,500 square foot addition proposed on the front of the building. Steven Blashfield represents the application. **PLUS # ARB-2024-MV-00035. Mount Vernon District. ARB ACTION: UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
2. **ARB-24-LOR-13 – 9518 Workhouse Way Fixture Conversions** located at 9518 Workhouse Way Lorton, tax map 1064 01 0058, in the Lorton/Laurel Hill MOA Eligible District. The applicant is proposing to convert the existing light fixtures on twelve buildings (W-02 through W-12 and W-16) to LED light fixtures. Laura Seidler represents the application. **PLUS # ARB-2024-MV-00027. Mount Vernon District. ARB ACTION: UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
3. **ARB-24-LOR-16 – 9040 Power House Rd Signage** located at 9040 Power House Rd Lorton, tax map 1071 09 H1, in the Lorton/Laurel Hill MOA Eligible District. The applicant is proposing the installation of exterior signs on building P-5. Proposed signage includes a sign mounted to the canopy above the main entrance, which corresponds to sign type C-6 in the approved campus sign plan (CSP 2012-MV-008) and requires final approval by the ARB. Jack Perkins represents the application. **PLUS # ARB-2024-MV-00037. Mount Vernon District. ARB ACTION: UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

**ITEMS FOR ACTION:**

1. **ARB-24-HUN-02 – 7121 Harrison Ln Special Permit** located at 7121 Harrison Ln Alexandria, tax map 0924 01 0006, in the Huntley HOD. The applicant is requesting ARB recommendation of approval for a Special Permit for the proposed 50% setback reduction along the south property line. Kirk Guillory represents the application. **PLUS # ARB-2024-FR-00040. Franconia District. ARB ACTION: RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL [9 in favor, 1 against]**
2. **ARB-24-HUN-01 – 7121 Harrison Ln Addition** located at 7121 Harrison Ln Alexandria, tax map 0924 01 0006, in the Huntley HOD. The applicant is proposing the construction of a garage addition with a second story storage room. Kirk Guillory represents the application. **PLUS # ARB-2024-FR-00039. Franconia District. ARB ACTION: DEFERRED [unanimous]**
3. **ARB-24-LOR-15 – 9518 Workhouse Way Utility Connections** located at 9518 Workhouse Way Lorton, tax map 1064 01 0058, in the Lorton/Laurel Hill MOA Eligible District. The applicant is proposing gas and electrical connections under an open-air pavilion in the kiln yard. The kiln yard is located behind building 7A and between buildings 7 and 8. Ian Schmidt represents the application. **PLUS # ARB-2024-MV-00036. Mount Vernon District. ARB ACTION: UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
4. **ARB-24-LOR-12 – 8382 Sallyport St Solar** located at 8382 Sallyport St Lorton, tax map 1071 10J 0013, in the Lorton/Laurel Hill MOA Eligible District. The applicant is proposing the installation of sixteen (16) roof-mounted solar panels. Dan Tarabek represents the application. **PLUS # ARB-2024-MV-00026. Mount**

**Vernon District. ARB ACTION: DEFERRED [unanimous]**

5. **ARB-24-HOL-22 – 7704 Elba Rd Alterations** located at 7704 Elba Rd Alexandria, tax map 1021 19020024, in the Hollin Hills HOD. The applicant is proposing the extension of the roof and repair and replacement of an existing wood deck and concrete patio. Kendall Dorman represents the application. **PLUS # ARB-2024-MV-00034. Mount Vernon District. ARB ACTION: DEFERRED [unanimous]**
6. **ARB-24-CTV-02 – 5634 Mount Gilead Rd Demolition** located at 5634 Mount Gilead Rd Centreville, tax map 0544 01 0038A, in the Centreville HOD. The applicant is proposing the demolition of the Mount Gilead Carriage House. David Buchta represents the application. **PLUS # ARB-2024-SU-00038 Sully District. ARB ACTION: UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED WITH MODIFICATIONS**

**ITEMS FOR WORKSHOP SESSION:**

1. **ARB-24-LOR-17WS – 9519 Workhouse Way Landscaping** located at 9519 Workhouse Way Lorton, tax map 1064 01 0058, in the Lorton/Laurel Hill MOA Eligible District. The applicant is proposing the planting of trees in three locations on the south side of the Workhouse Arts Campus. The tree planting project will utilize five species of trees to provide canopy coverage to increase shade and reduce the urban heat island effect from the extensive surface parking. Todd Nelson represents the application. **PLUS # ARBWK-2024-MV-00015. Mount Vernon District.**
2. **ARB-24-HOL-23WS – 2200 Glasgow Rd Solar** located at 2200 Glasgow Rd Alexandria, tax map 0933 04 0085, in the Hollin Hills HOD. The applicant is proposing the installation of roof-mounted solar panels. Paul Wicks represents the application. **PLUS # ARBWK-2024-MV-00016. Mount Vernon District.**

**PRESENTATIONS: None**

**BOARD AND STAFF ITEMS:**

- **Review and action on approval of previous months minutes:** July 11, 2024 **ARB ACTION: APPROVED [9 in favor, 1 abstention]**
- **Treasurer's Report:** Ending balance as of August 31, 2024 – \$27,849.59
- **Administrative:**
  - Reimbursement request – ARB Member Murray **ARB ACTION: UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
  - Reimbursement request – ARB Member Burns **ARB ACTION: UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
  - Draft FY2026 Budget Request
  - ARB letter re: Dunn Loring School Re-zoning
- **Discussion/Update Reports:** None
- **Correspondence, Announcements:** (Staff)
  - Heritage Resources Branch Update
- **Old Business:** None
- **New/other business:**

*The ARB Administrator will stamp and sign copies of approved drawings or other application documents following the meeting at which approvals are granted, or at such time as drawings amended to reflect ARB actions are received by the administrator. Applicants may be required to submit additional copies of approved drawings or other application documents. Applicants may request copies of meeting minutes within 2 weeks of the meeting at which the ARB approved the minutes. Stamped drawings, letters from administrator documenting ARB action or copies of relevant minutes are required prior to projects being approved by county review and permitting agencies.*

*For further information contact ARB Administrator, Fairfax County Department of Planning and Development (DPD), at*

ARB Meeting: September 12, 2024

Attachment 14: The Pines letter



## Fairfax County History Commission

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September 30, 2024

Mr. James Walkinshaw, Supervisor, Braddock District, Fairfax County  
9002 Burke Lake Road  
Burke VA 22015

Dear Supervisor Walkinshaw:

At the regular monthly meeting on September 4, 2024, the History Commission voted to recommend The Pines historical marker in Pine Ridge Park remain in its present location.

We commend Mr. James Waller's intention in asking the marker be moved. We also appreciate his praise for our colleague, Tom Shoop. Our research has revealed the marker was sponsored by the Fairfax County African American Historical Society (FCAAHS), with President Marion Dobbins, at the time of the marker placement and dedication in 2016. Upon our inquiry about her preference regarding the location, she has requested the marker remain in place.

Ms. Dobbins had been a resident of The Pines community and FCAAHS had selected the location also in consultation with a former neighbor of the Pines community. Ms. Dobbins wishes to honor both of their recommendations. The location selected also has practical advantages: it is near the road entrance to the park so vehicle occupants will be able to see the marker. While there is no parking in front of the marker, there is a parking lot directly behind a sign that serves the now local community garden. Thus, in its current location it is possible for anyone to stop and read the marker.

We are aware the Park Authority is discussing adding new signage to the site. The Marker Committee will consult further with Ms. Dobbins about additional historical interpretation in the future. Thank you.

All good things,

*Lynne Garvey -Hodge*

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*"We must learn to live together as brothers and sisters or we will perish together as fools."  
-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Cc: Supervisor, Andres Jimenez, Mason District, Fairfax County  
Jai Cole, Executive Director, FCPA  
Aimee Vosper, Deputy Director, FCPA  
Frank Andersen, Chief of Staff, Supervisor Walkinshaw  
Elizabeth Crowell, Cultural Resource Branch Manager, FCPA  
Aimee Wells, Senior Archaeologist, FCPA  
Denice Dressel, Chief, Heritage Resources Branch, DPD  
Laura Kviklyx, FCHC Liaison, DPD  
Stephanie Newman, FCHC Liaison, DPD  
Marion Dobbins, Advisory Committee Member, Fairfax County History Commission