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*We value your input.
Comments or ideas for
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President's Message

Stephen Belisle, CCVCA President

A massive wind storm and power outage recently tested our community's vigilance. Damage ranged from nothing to shingles taking flight to large trees crashing down on properties and utility lines. Fortunately, the sun came out and power was restored for most within about 36 to 48 hours—this time. But what if that restoration were to take four days, eight days, or two weeks or more? What's your plan (keeping in mind that regional gas stations and hotels also may not have power to operate)? What's our plan? If you have any suggestions for how our Civic Association could be of assistance during such times, please share your thoughts with us—our contact information is on the next page.

Now I turn from talking vigilance to volunteerism. Your community needs you. Your Civic Association needs you. We all can contribute more—just try and see. You're probably saying to yourself right now: I'd love to drive around our peaceful neighborhood at night to help our Neighborhood Watch keep our community safe; or I wish we had more community events that I could help organize; or I want to help lead the Civic Association into the next decade (yes, 2020 is almost here); or perhaps I wish I had an opportunity to liaison between our Civic Association and other community associations, local schools, and the County. Well, you're in luck, because our Civic Association needs all of you, and we work within your available time. Getting involved in these and many other ways is as easy as just calling or emailing any CCVCA Executive Committee member.

Please join us!

CCVCA Spring General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, April 24, 2018, 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Oak View Elementary Cafeteria

Guest Speakers / Important Board Elections

Please mark our April 24 CCVCA General Membership Meeting on your calendars and plan to attend if possible. This is a great opportunity to hear from your Executive Committee and our guest speakers about issues impacting our community.

I look forward to seeing you on April 24. Happy spring!

Steve

Welcome to CCV

*Sherrie Brady, CCVCA
Welcoming Committee Chair*

Do you have a new neighbor who has moved in over the last few months?

Contact Sherrie Brady at sherrie.brady@gmail.com

or visit our website at www.countryclubview.org so we can say "Hi"!



About the CCVCA Newsletter

The CCVCA Newsletter is published quarterly. To submit articles, contact the newsletter editor. CCVCA reserves the right to not publish any material it deems inappropriate.

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SUMMER FIRE SAFETY TIPS

Bob Mizer, Public Service, Neighborhood Watch

Summer is just around the corner and we will be thinking about starting up the grill to enjoy a good cookout. But before you ignite the grill for the first time, think about doing it safely. Here are some tips that will keep you, your family, and your home safe.

- Clean the grill and check for bugs and other debris that may have collected during the winter.
- Check all connections to be sure they are tight and you have no leaks. Use a dish soap solution at the joints to check. If you see bubbles, turn everything off and have repairs made. If the leak does not stop, clear the area and call 911.
- Place grills well away from siding, deck rails and out from under eaves and overhanging tree branches.
- Never use a grill indoors or under a tent or carport.
- Use only UL approved grills and cylinders and never store propane cylinders in the home or garage.
- If you use a fire pit the same rules apply. Keep the fire a manageable size, away from any flammable materials, and have a hose or fire extinguisher handy. Dispose of any ashes properly in a metal container.

YIELD TO EMERGENCY VEHICLES!

What should you do when you are driving and emergency vehicles with warning lights and siren operating approaches? It really is pretty simple. The law requires you to pull over as close as possible and parallel to the NEAREST edge of the road, stop, and remain stopped until all emergency vehicles are past you. Remember, there is usually more than one vehicle responding so stay alert for the second or third emergency vehicle.



APRIL 28th

8 AM – 1 PM

**GET READY TO SHARE YOUR TREASURES
WITH OTHERS!**

CCVCA SCHOLARSHIP – LAST CHANCE

Bob Coffin, Scholarship Chair

Need MONEY for college? Who doesn't? CCVCA annually awards a scholarship (sometimes two) to graduating senior children of CCVCA members (if you have paid your dues prior to 31 March 2018, you qualify!). The Paul A. Maltagliati Memorial Scholarship is awarded based on academic achievement, participation in school and community activities, a short essay, and an interview with the Scholarship Committee. The exact amount and number of scholarships may vary based on funds available (note: most funding comes from the annual membership donations to the scholarship on the membership form). Donations from members at other times will be most willingly accepted and appreciated, just contact the Scholarship Chair—we DO have some extremely talented and worthy students in our community! **Applications due by APRIL 2, 2018!**

Forms can be obtained from the CCVCA Scholarship Chair, **Bob Coffin**, 10716 Almond Street, Fairfax, VA 22032 (tel: 703-385-3264 or nktwalr@verizon.net). Forms are also available on the CCVCA Website.

LAKE ACCOTINK: TO SAVE OR NOT TO SAVE?

Don Weber, 1st Vice President

Sediment is threatening Lake Accotink's existence and it will cost a considerable amount of money to maintain it. The Park Authority has presented six options for the future of Lake Accotink. However, the options that save the lake and its watersport recreations will require dredging that will cost between \$29 and \$45 million. The Park Authority cannot fund this scale of a project on its own. In order to save the lake, the Board of Supervisors would have to allocate the funding within the General Fund Budget, most likely through a bond called a capital expenditure. Supervisor John Cook needs your comments and input on whether the Board should allocate the funding for the options that save the lake, or let the lake fill in whole or in part under other options. Supervisor Cook held a joint meeting with Supervisor Jeff McKay last month at Lake Braddock Secondary School to discuss the options and their impact to the community. Over 200 people attended, including members of the newly formed Save Lake Accotink Group and Friends of Lake Accotink Park.

Whatever option is chosen will have major financial, environmental, recreational, and community impacts. Option A is the "do nothing" option that the lake will fill in on its own by 2025 and become a marshland. Option B proposes the current maintenance method of dredging the lake every 15 years, at a cost of \$29 million each time. Option C keeps the lake at its current 50 acre size with an initial \$45 million full dredging. This would be a deep dredge and would be followed by the construction of mini lakes, called forebays, which would capture incoming sediment and protect the main lake from filling up with sediment. These forebays would need to be dredged annually, but at a relatively small cost. Option D is a cheaper, but temporary option that has beaver dams built upstream to collect sediment. The issue is that the dams would fill up within five years and would leave us in the same place we are now. Option E would transform the lake into a stream valley by removing the dam structure. The initial cost would be \$11 million with minor annual expenditures to maintain vegetation. Option F is a compromise of the other options that cuts the lake in half and redirects the stream around it. This would cost \$13 million to implement. You can access the full presentation from the Park Authority for more details.



Options A and E would remove watersport and change the ecosystem significantly. Meanwhile, Option F would limit the amount of water recreation activities. The dredging required to keep the lake would require significant construction activities and the potential of significant truck traffic to remove sediment.

His office will host another community meeting in late this spring to provide updates to the community and open the floor for discussion. The Park Authority has extended the comment period on the future of Lake Accotink until May 28. You can submit comments to Supervisor Cook's office directly at braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov. You can also take part in the Parks Department survey for the Lake Accotink Master Plan or email the department your concerns at parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov.

BRADDOCK "BRAKE LIGHTS" ROAD
Don Weber, 1st Vice President

Proposed Housing Development at Braddock Road and Roberts Road (RZ/FDP 2017-BR-030)

On February 14, Supervisor Cook hosted a community meeting to discuss a proposal by the Peterson Companies to create a high-end residential development at the northeast corner of the intersection of Braddock Road and Roberts Road. This site, which is approximately 9.56 acres and is zoned R-1, is developed with three single-family detached homes and a church, which would be removed. The property owner outlined their vision for this site, which would include 49 single-family detached homes and amenities such as a corner park and picnic area, community garden, tot lot, and open lawn area. Access to the property would be from a single entrance on Roberts Road, midway between Braddock Road and Shenandoah Lane.



Because this site has not gone through a Comprehensive Plan review in a number of years, Supervisor Cook made a motion, which was adopted by the Board of Supervisors, to begin a planning process to consider the owner's proposal along with other potential land uses for the site. The community meeting was the first step in this process. Area residents had the opportunity to ask questions and comment on the potential development. The focus was on what uses would be a good addition to and be compatible with the community. The primary concern raised by neighbors was traffic, particularly increased traffic on Roberts Road. A second and related issue was pedestrian crossings on Roberts Road. Some residents also expressed concerns over the density of the proposal.

Staff from the Planning Division, who were present at the meeting, are looking at options for a Plan Amendment to consider potential changes. Those options will be presented to the community for consideration at a follow-up meeting later this spring. The rezoning proposal has been deferred while a Comprehensive Plan Amendment is being considered. Information about the Comprehensive Plan Amendment may be found here: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-zoning/plan-amendments/roberts-road>. See Owner's Proposal: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/braddock/roberts-road-proposed-residential-development>.

Northern Virginia Training Center Site Task Force Begins Work

The Training Center Site Task Force has held three meetings since beginning work at the conclusion of the January 20 community planning workshop. Using the Needs Assessment and input given at the workshop, the Task Force is working to develop options for a Comprehensive Plan for the site. Several options will be presented at a community meeting to be held on Monday, April 23, in the Gold Cafeteria of Robinson Secondary School, at 7:30 p.m. Based on the input from that meeting, the Task Force will refine the plan and present its official recommendation to the community in late June.

The Task Force began its work by reviewing the comments made by participants at the January workshop. Park Authority staff presented information on the existing parks within the Braddock District, service level standards, and existing needs based on those standards. At the top of that list are multi-use courts, indoor gyms, and rectangular fields. The Task Force will next meet with staff from Neighborhood and Community Services regarding the needs they see in the community and have a discussion regarding affordability.

In preparation for the April community meeting, the Task Force is working to develop two or three proposed land scenarios for the entire property, including the former NVTC site, the State Police site, and the area currently planned for a DMV office. Those proposals will then be analyzed for their impact on the community, including on schools, parking requirements, and traffic.

Task force meeting agendas, handouts, PowerPoints, and minutes are available at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/braddock/training-center-and-state-police-site>.

To submit comments to the Training Center Site Task Force, use braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov. Please put "Training Center Site Task Force" in the subject line.

Braddock Road Improvements

Planning continues for significant improvements along Braddock Road from Guinea Road to Ravensworth Road. For details on the planned improvements and current status of the project, go to the county website and search for “Braddock Road Intermodal Study.”

Braddock Road Lane Closures

Drivers will continue to experience periodic lane closures on Braddock Road between West Campus Drive and Shirley Gate Road due to installation of a new water main in the median. The work should be completed in June.

COUNTRY CLUB VIEW 2018 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

2018	Meetings & Newsletter	Events
April	24 th – General Membership Meeting at Oak View 30 th – Executive Committee	28 th – CCV Community Yard Sale
May	28 th – Executive Committee	
June	25 th – Executive Committee 2 nd QUARTER NEWSLETTER DELIVERY	
July	23 rd – Executive Committee	
August	27 th – Executive Committee	7 th – National Night Out <i>sponsored by Executive Committee and CCVCA Block Captains</i>
September	TBD – General Membership Meeting at Oak View 24 th – Executive Committee 3 rd QUARTER NEWSLETTER DELIVERY	TBD: Ice Cream Social at CCV Park
October	22 nd – Executive Committee	TBD: CCV Community Yard Sale
November	26 th – Executive Committee	
December	TBD – Executive Committee 4 th QUARTER NEWSLETTER DELIVERY	TBD: CCV Women’s Club Holiday Decoration Contest

The CCVCA Executive Committee welcomes new ideas for community events!
Please send suggestions to Welcoming Chair Sherrie Brady: sherrie.brady@gmail.com.

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS REPORT – A LOT IS HAPPENING AROUND CCV

Don Weber, 1st Vice President

University Mall

The owner of University Mall has filed an application to allow rental of an existing building which was designated for removal to allow future transportation improvements. When the shopping center was renovated, the proffers prohibited renewal of the lease for the former bank on the northwest corner of the property because that land area is reserved for right-of-way dedication for the eventual widening of the Braddock Road/Ox Road intersection. The bank has moved out and the building is now vacant. VDOT recently made improvements to that intersection and does not plan to do anything further for a number of years. The shopping center owner would like to rent the building to another permitted user rather than leave it empty. The new lease would require the tenant to vacate the premises and terminate the lease upon VDOT’s request.

The Braddock Land Use and Environment Committee approved a motion expressing no objection to the proposal. On February 22, the Planning Commission recommended approval of this application. The case was scheduled to be heard by the Board of Supervisors on March 6th. More information on this application, including any changes in the public hearing dates and the staff report, may be found here:

<http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=PCA&seq=4237368>.

Fairfax County Parkway

VDOT plans to widen the Fairfax County Parkway from Ox Road to Lee Highway. It also plans to replace intersections at Burke Centre Parkway and Popes Head Road with interchanges. The Popes Head interchange will also include an extension of Shirley Gate Road to the parkway. Several residents from Fairfax Station are concerned that the widening project is not needed because the new interchanges would be sufficient to relieve the congestion that occurs at the current intersections. These citizens think that VDOT should wait to see the impact of the interchanges before spending the funds to widen the parkway. VDOT did not seem too receptive to this idea at a recent community meeting about the proposed widening project.

Neighborhood College Returns

After a three year absence, Neighborhood College is back! The eight-week course teaches how the county works for all of us and how you can make it work for your community. Course sessions include "Code Compliance and Zoning," "Family Services and Mental Health," "Police and Emergency Management," and the top favorites, "Storm Water Management and Solid Waste Management."

You will have the opportunity to ask County Staff questions and hear how they make our county run. This year will include special sessions for HOAs and Civic Associations, as well as Roberts Rules of Order and running meetings.

Classes will be held Thursday evenings, beginning April 5 through May 24 at a location to be determined. Register soon, since in the past Neighborhood College slots have filled up quickly. Contact Ann Sharp at 703-425-9300 or ann.sharp@fairfaxcounty.gov for more information and to register.

School Budget

The FCPS proposed budget for FY 2019 is \$2.9 billion, a 4.3% increase over the FY 2018 approved budget. About \$2.5 billion (86.1%) is for instruction, and about \$400 million is for facilities, transportation, and support functions. About 52% of the Fairfax County budget goes to FCPS. FCPS is the 10th largest school system in the nation, with about 190,000 students, 14,000 teachers, and 14,000 other employees. FCPS aims to employ the best teachers possible. Strong schools attract new residents, encourage business investment, and maintain property values.

Fairfax Federation

Minutes from the meetings of the Fairfax Federation are available on the Federation's website, www.fairfaxfederation.org. The most recent meeting concerned the county budget for FY 2019. Following the county's release of the advertised budget on February 20, several civic organizations held a joint press conference regarding the budget. The Federation's Second Vice President, Bill Barfield (who is a resident of CCV), stated:

"The Federation applauds Fairfax County putting forward for citizen comment its 2019/2020 budget. This budget should strive to continue Fairfax County's Triple-A bond rating by all three rating agencies, continue to maintain our relatively safe and secure communities, and continue to recognize Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) as a most important reason for businesses to relocate to Fairfax from around the USA and the world.

The Federation recommends the Board of Supervisors to NOT set the advertised tax rate too low. A somewhat higher initial rate, from which the final rate can be lower, will allow the BOS flexibility to accommodate citizen suggestions and to adjust for changes in the balance of public services and tax burden."

Repaving Plans

Sideburn Road is scheduled to be repaved along its entire length this year. The paving will entail several lane changes and restriping to include dedicated parking and bike lanes. The biggest change will be from Zion to the dead end. That work will narrow the road to two traffic lanes with no center turn lane. It will add dedicated parking lanes and a bike lane. Although no roads within CCV are currently scheduled for repaving, CCV is in the last two areas of the Braddock District that have not been repaved and are scheduled within the next few years.



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Proxy Ballot
Country Club View Civic Association
2018 Board Election

Use this ballot if you cannot attend the April 24th meeting at Oak View Elementary.

Mark the appropriate box(es) or write in the name of your candidate.

One Ballot Per Household

Nominees:

President	Stephen Belisle	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
First Vice President	Don Weber	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Second Vice President	Diane Carnahan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Treasurer	Diana Michel	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secretary	Liz Bateman	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write-in _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vote For All Nominees		<input type="checkbox"/>		
Withhold Vote		<input type="checkbox"/>		

Member Signature(s) _____

Member in Good Standing (dues paid 2017-2018)? Yes___ No___

ONLY MEMBERS CAN VOTE!

Please return this proxy ballot no later than April 24, 2018 to
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