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Civic Pride

Newsletter of the Yorktown Civic Association

The Yorktown Civic Association (YCA) represents residents living in north Arlington, Virginia, bound by Lee Highway on the south, Old Dominion Dr. and Columbus St. to the east, Little Falls Rd. and Rock Spring Rd. on the north, and N. Jefferson St. to the west. http://YorktownCivic.org

Our Next General Meeting: November 19 @ 7:30 pm at Yorktown High School

Enter through Door #8 on 28th Street by the basketball courts

We need your email address! Even if we have your email address from the past, please send your email address to yorktowncivicassociation@gmail.com as we are updating the Civic Association Email List.

Letter from the President

Our neighborhood has been busy with the opening of Discovery Elementary School, the rush of back to school, and, as I write this, the sprouting of Halloween Decorations and falling leaves.

The opening of Discovery was the end of a very long process that members of our community were very involved in – from the site selection, to helping with the design, to the significant migration of hundreds of Nottingham students to Discovery. The school is beautiful and very environmentally friendly. As the opportunities arise, I encourage you to visit see the school for yourself.

The Civic Association has been working with the County to make additional improvements to Chestnut Hills Park. These improvements, separate from the upgrades to the playground made earlier this year, are being funded through our Neighborhood Conservation program which every neighborhood is eligible to participate in. This project will create a unified and improved fencing and sidewalks along the entire frontage of the park. Additionally, there will be some modest internal improvements to the park. As you may have read, the County has purchased additional land abutting the park. At this time there is no plan to make any significant changes to the park or to increase parking. If you have particular sidewalk projects or other neighborhood projects that could be eligible for Neighborhood Conservation please let me or David Haring know.

Progress on revisioning Lee Highway continues. After nearly three years of work, the

County has engaged a firm, Dover, Kohl & Partners, to facilitate a community process the weekend of **November 6th-9th**. This will give everyone in our Civic Association to come and give feedback on our neighborhood and your vision of what Lee Highway can aspire to look like in the future. We will send additional details about the Charrette and you can learn more about the Lee Highway plan on the county website:

http://projects.arlingtonva.us/plans-studies/land-use/lee-highway/ or http://bit.ly/IKc0NBi.

In addition to the Charrette meeting on November 6th-9th, we will have a general meeting for the neighborhood on Thursday, **November 19th** at Yorktown High School at7:00pm.

We are in need of two additional members of our Executive Committee given the departure of our long- time treasurer Bob Littell. The role requires about 2 hours of work per month and is a good way to gain insight into the neighborhood.

Please let me know if you have any questions, want to get involved, or want to bring something to the attention of the Executive Committee.

See you at the Charrette and on November 19th.

Sincerely,
Andrew Schneider
President,
Yorktown Civic Association

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connect with your neighbors!



Metrobus 3A to ART 55

Arlington Transit has proposed taking over a portion of the current Metrobus 3A route with a new ART bus route, the ART 55. The proposed route would replace the portion of the 3A that runs along Lee Highway between East Falls Church Metro and Rosslyn Metro.

The proposed route would serve the same bus stops in Arlington as the 3A and operate the same hours.

The ART 55 would run every 15 minutes midday, every 20 minutes during the day on Saturday and every 30 minutes nights

and on Sundays.
During rush hours,
the ART 55 would
run every 12
minutes - the same
level of service the
3A provides today.



If the proposal to replace the 3A is approved by the WMATA Board of Directors, expected in November,

ART 55 would start service on Sunday, Dec. 13, 2015.

For more information about the proposed ART 55 route, visit arlingtontransit.com.

Arlington County #s: Street Flooding, Water, Sewer emergencies: 703-228-6555

Traffic Signals/Street Light Outages: 703-228-6511

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Signs, Potholes, Trash, Sidewalks: 703-228-6570 Retail Code Enforcement: 703-228-3232

Non-emergency Police #: 703-558-2222

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Arlington Alert: A great way to stay informed. Sign up at: https://www.arlingtonalert.com/index.php?CCheck=1

Police reports can be made online: http://www.arlingtonva.us/departments/police/incident/new/start-report.html

Leaf Collection

Arlington County will collect leaf bags from **November 2**, **2015 to January 8**, **2016**. Leaf bags are collected on the next business day after your regular trash collection day. If your trash is collected Friday, your last leaf bag collection will be the next Monday.

How to Prepare for Collection:

- Remove dirt, stones, litter and other debris from your leaves.
- Place only leaves in the biodegradable paper leaf bags
- Close the bags by folding them top down.
- Place your bags at the curb, one day after your trash day, by 6:30 a.m.

• Don't use plastic bags.

Biodegradable paper leaf bags are available at most hardware stores. Use any bags left over from the spring yard waste collection. Free bags are also available starting Oct. 20 at various community centers (while supplies last).

Vacuum Collection

Vacuum Collection will occur November 9 through December 1, 2015. The first pass for Yorktown will occur November 18-24. Keep an eye out for signs throughout the neighborhood.

For more information, visit: http://recycling.arlingtonva.us/residential/yard-waste/leaf-collection/



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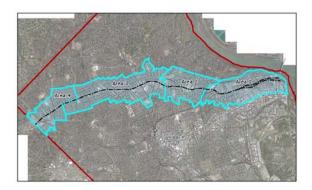
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Lee Highway Charrette Nov. 6-9 at Langston Brown Community Center

Arlington County and their consulting team of Dover, Kohl & Partners, Ferrell Madden, Hall Planning and Engineering, Partners for Economic Solutions, and AECOM will host the much anticipated Lee Highway charrette November 6ht-9th at Langston Brown Community Center.



Together we will provide input on the future of Lee Highway—please join us as often as you can during the four day period.

The kick-off Session is Friday night, November 6th from 6-8 pm. Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm is the working community session, with a second smaller session on Sunday from 3 to 5 pm. The wrap-up with the draft recommendations will be Monday, November 9th from 7 to 9 pm.

We hope to see you there!

LEE HIGHWAY

COMMUNITY VISIONING CHARRETTE



How do YOU envision the future of Lee Highway?

Join us for the Lee Highway Visioning Charrette, a multi-day community planning effort to consider the future of the Lee Highway corridor. Share your thoughts on transportation, open space, architecture, housing, cultural resources, and streetscape design!

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

6p-8p

CHARRETTE KICK-OFF

Introduction to the project and to the design team.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

9a-1p

COMMUNITY HANDS-ON DESIGN SESSION

Work alongside your neighbors to draw your vision for the future of the Lee Highway corridor.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

3p-5p

DESIGN STUDIO WALK-THROUGH

Drop by the temporary design studio to check on the work-in-progress. If you missed the session on Saturday, this will also be a second chance to participate in the hands-on design excercise.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

7p-9p

WRAP-UP OPEN HOUSE

 $See work \ completed \ during \ the \ previous \ few \ days \ and \ get \ an \ overview \ of \ the \ draft \ recommendations.$

All events at the LANGSTON-BROWN COMMUNITY CENTER

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT THE PROJECT WEBSITE AT: http://projects.arlingtonva.us/plans-studies/land-use/lee-highway

Williamsburg Field Lighting Work Group Begins Evaluation Process

In September 2013 as part of the Use Permit approval process for the Discovery Elementary School on the Williamsburg Mid-

dle School campus, the Arlington County Board requested the County Manager initiate a Williamsburg Field Site Evaluation Work Group "to lead a robust community process to evaluate whether or not to light the Williamsburg synthetic fields." The Williamsburg Field Site Evaluation Work Group plan was adopted by the County Board at the June 2015 Board Meeting. A Work Group of sixteen was established and it includes: representatives from

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the Rock Spring(I), Williamsburg (I), and Yorktown Civic Associations (I); residents living next to or across from the fields(6); the Arlington Sports Commission (I); the Arlington Planning Commission (I); the Arlington Parks and Recreation Commission (I); the Arlington Soccer Association (I); the Arlington Soccer Association (I);

lington Women's Soccer League (1); the Arlington Coed Soccer League (1) and; the Discovery Elementary School PTA (1). Eric

Gutshall of the Arlington Planning Commission serves as the Work Group's chair and Libby Garvey is the County Board representative to the group. David Friedman is representing the Yorktown Civic Association on the group.

The Work Group 's task is to determine whether or not to light one or two rectangular fields on the Williamsburg property. The group is expected to provide a written report on the feasibility of lights including both positive and negative impacts. Meetings commenced in August 2015 and will continue on a

monthly basis, with work completed by June 2016 in order to allow full and appropriate review of any recommendations prior to the consideration of the lights question as part of the scheduled Williamsburg Use Permit Review at the September 2016 County Board Meeting.

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Fire Station #8 Future Location

Arlington County is initiating a process to select a site to relocate Fire Station #8 (FS8) from the intersection of Lee Highway and North Culpepper Street to a location further north. Studies recommend that this station be relocated further north to improve response time to Arlington residents in this area.

When the new site for FS8 is determined, a Master Plan process will be initiated for the selected site within the appropriate timeframe. This Master Plan will address applicable County plans, designs and policies.

On Sept. 24, 2015, Acting County Manager Mark Schwartz recommended to the County Board that it create a community task force to address the siting of Fire Station No. 8.

At its Oct. 8 Work Session on Fire Station No. 8, the County Board received a draft charge and suggested composition for a Fire Station No. 8 Task Force. The Task Force will study the question of relocating and modernizing Fire Station No. 8 and make recommendations to the County Board by March 2016.

Support your neighborhood civic association and help us better communicate the latest community news...

Join the Yorktown Civic Association!

Just \$10 per year is all that is needed to support the costs of the neighborhood newsletter, website and outreach. Please complete this membership form and mail to: Andrew Schneider, YCA President, 5104 24th St. N., Arlington, VA 22207.

Make checks payable to: Yorktown Civic Association. Thank you for your support!

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