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 Briarcroft
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 Brookfield Woods
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 Bull Run
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 Clifton Manor
 Compton Valley Estates
 Compton Village
 Confederate Ridge II
 Crofton Commons
 Deerfield Ridge
 Fair Lakes Chase
 Fair Lakes Forest
 Fairfax National Estates
 Friends of CHD
 Gate Post Estates I
 Green Trails/Manorgate
 Heritage Crossing
 Heritage Forest
 Horsecrofts
 Leeton Manor
 Little Rocky Run
 London Towne
 Marian Woods
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 Newgate
 Newgate Forest
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 Old Mill
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 Sequoia Farms
 Singleton's Grove
 Stonehenge
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 Virginia Chase
 Virginia Run
 Walney Mills
 Walney Road
 Willoughby's Ridge
 Winding Ridge
 Woodgate Comm. Assn.
 Woodlands of Fair Lakes



From the President

Hello to all WFCCA member communities. I hope you had a great summer and enjoyed some vacation time. With the arrival of autumn comes the need to consider the upcoming elections on November 8th. Although it is an off-year election cycle, we encourage you to investigate your choices and actively participate in the process. Seats in the Virginia State Senate Districts 32, 33, 34, 37, and 39 and House Districts 37, 40, and 67 (depending upon where you live in the WFCCA area) are to be decided this year. Locally, the Sully District Supervisor and Chairman of the Board of Supervisors seats as well as School Board seats are also on the ballot, as is Sheriff, Commonwealth's Attorney, and Soil and Water District Directors. In addition, there is a bond referendum for school improvements. Please visit the following websites: www.sbe.virginia.gov for information on state elections and www.fairfaxcounty.gov for local elections and a sample ballot.

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The Wounded Warrior Project

Last April, Sully District Supervisor Michael Frey sent an email discussing the work of the Wounded Warrior Project (WWP). At its most recent meeting, the WFCCA Executive Committee discussed a monetary donation to the organization. The WWP was established to honor and empower wounded warriors who incur service-connected wounds, injuries, and illnesses on or after September 11, 2001. With advancements in battlefield medicine and body armor, an unprecedented percentage of service members are surviving severe wounds or injuries. For every U.S. soldier killed in World Wars I and II, there were 1.7 soldiers wounded. In Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, for every U.S. soldier killed, seven are wounded. In the two conflicts combined, there have been almost 42,000 soldiers injured.

The mission of the WWP is to honor and empower wounded warriors, to encourage them as they adjust to their new lives and achieve new triumphs. Offering a variety of programs and services, the WWP is equipped to serve warriors with every type of injury – from the physical to the invisible wounds of war. The vision of the WWP is to foster the most successful, well-adjusted generation of wounded warriors in this nation's history. The purpose of the WWP is to raise awareness and enlist the public's aid for the needs of injured service members, to help injured service members aid and assist each other, and to provide unique, direct programs and services to meet the needs of injured service members.

In 2010, 82 percent of total expenditures of the WWP provided services and programs for wounded warriors and their families; the WWP is a BBB Accredited Charity. Because of the work done by the WWP, the WFCCA Executive Committee is recommending the membership approve a \$500 donation to the WWP at its October 17, 2011 quarterly meeting. If you would like more information on the WWP, visit www.woundedwarriorproject.org.

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◆ WFCCA Items of Interest ◆

WFCCA Annual Holiday Reception to be December 11, 2011

The Western Fairfax County Citizens Association will host its Annual Holiday Reception on Sunday, December 11, 2011 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the home of Ted and Tami Troscianecki, 6618 Smiths Trace, Centreville, in the Virginia Run community. Directions will be included in the invitations mailed in the next month, or are available by sending an email to cahawn@verizon.net.

As in past years, attendees are requested to bring non-perishable food or other items for contribution to the Western Fairfax Christian Ministries Food Pantry. We look forward to seeing you at this annual event. For more information, please contact Carol Hawn at 703-266-6872.

The WFCCA is open to civic, homeowner, and community associations within the following area of Fairfax County, including portions of Sully and Springfield Districts:
east of the Loudoun County line; south of Route 50;
west of Stringfellow and Clifton Roads; north of Compton Road east of Route 28,
and north of Bull Run west of Route 28.

WFCCA to Vote on Dues Reduction at October 17, 2011 Meeting

The WFCCA Executive Committee is recommending the membership approve a reduction in the annual dues amount, beginning with the 2012 membership year. The dues are currently \$25.00 per year; the committee recommends it be reduced to \$20.00. Although the by-laws do not specify an amount, it does state that the dues are fixed by the WFCCA.

WFCCA dues cover the cost of our website, printing and mailing of membership materials, correspondence and materials for the quarterly membership meetings, the annual holiday reception, awards for recipients of the James D. McDonnell Award, and occasional charitable contributions approved by the membership.

The objective of the Western Fairfax County Citizens Association is to support planned development through public awareness.

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There is good news on the transportation front. The Virginia Department of Transportation will begin working on Route 50 between Route 28 and Poland Road, widening it from four to six lanes that will provide much needed relief as well as an alternate route around the Route 28/I-66 bottleneck. Planning begins in October and completion is expected in late 2014. For more information on this and other transportation projects and plans, visit www.virginiadot.org/projects.

This fall, the WFCCA will be conducting its annual membership drive so look for membership information that will arrive around Thanksgiving or visit our website at www.wfccca-sully.org for membership and general information about the WFCCA. We ask that you please make joining the WFCCA or renewing your membership an agenda item at your next homeowners or other organization board meeting.

Finally, the WFCCA and SDC merger discussions have been suspended.

I look forward to seeing you at the quarterly meeting on the 17th. Our guest speaker will be Philip Allin, Chairman and Sully District Member of Fairfax Water, who will discuss the Water Authority.

~ Ted Troscianecki, President

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Chris Terpak-Malm *At-Large*

Standing Committee Chairs

Education

E. Mark McConnell *At-Large*

Environment, Parks & Recreation

Chris Terpak-Malm *At-Large*

Land Use

James Katcham *Centre Ridge Regent*

Social Services and Outreach

vacant

Transportation

Judith Heisinger *Bull Run*

◆ Land Use Committee ◆

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Stephen Chulick *Virginia Chase*

Carol Hawn *At-Large*

Judith Heisinger *Bull Run*

James Katcham *Centre Ridge Regent*

Mark McConnell *At-Large*

Jim Neighbors *Sully Station /*

Chris Terpak-Malm *At-Large*



the Pioneer is the quarterly publication of the Western Fairfax County Citizens Association (WFCCA); its purpose is to provide information to member communities, elected officials, and interested persons within WFCCA boundaries and throughout Fairfax County. Articles reflect the view of their author and may be reprinted in association newsletters. Contact Carol Hawn, Secretary, at 703-266-6872 or cahawn@verizon.net with community name and address changes, comments, or suggestions.

happy halloween!

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Western Fairfax County Citizens Association
Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting
Monday, July 18, 2011

*James D. McDonnell Community Room 1
Sully District Governmental Center, Chantilly*

WFCCA President Ted Trosciancki called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and introduced the Executive Committee members in attendance. He began by presenting the preliminary discussion of the merger of the WFCCA with the Sully District Council of Citizens Associations (SDC). This is an effort first discussed some years ago; it was determined to wait until after the 2010 Census to see whether district boundaries would change. However, with the exception of one minor adjustment along Stringfellow Road, the Sully District remains intact. Officers of the two organizations have met to determine if they could be merged. It is believed there is not enough locally going on with each organization to sustain both; however, there are differences in opinion between the two organizations. He has placed the merger meetings minutes on the WFCCA website and asks for comments and feedback from the membership. It is expected that any final decisions would be ready for adoption in January, 2012.

Sully District Planning Commissioner John Litzenberger, a founding member of the WFCCA, noted that merging the by-laws may be a steep slope to climb. At minimum, it would be advantageous to hold joint Land Use Committee meetings; currently, the SDC Land Use Committee meets on Wednesday evenings which conflicts with Planning Commission meetings. Therefore, he, as well as Commissioner Jim Hart, often cannot attend their meetings and are unaware of the outcomes from those meetings. Thursday meetings would also conflict with the Planning Commission. At this time, however, it seems impossible that the two committees can agree on a uniform meeting time, due to conflicts with other commitments. Commissioner Hart added that, depending on the case, there may or may not be overlap between the two Land Use Committees.

He believes that a merger is a horrible idea; the two organizations had very different starts and there are reasons for each to maintain independence. The WFCCA was established to be an independent organization, without ties to larger countywide entities, such as the Fairfax County Federation. Its focus was to serve as a voice for the Centreville, Chantilly, Clifton area, which was being overlooked at the time of its founding as it was within the much larger Springfield District. Under Jim McDonnell's and others leadership, the WFCCA became a strong, well-respected entity on its own. During the 1990s, there was always a large attendance at the quarterly meetings and he believes with some work, that could occur again. A more proactive WFCCA leadership could again bring in larger meeting attendance.

Jim Katcham agreed with Commissioner Hart and is not supportive of a merger; the dominant perspective within the WFCCA has always been land use and he firmly believes the Land Use Committee should continue as an elected body; the members have a greater commitment to each case.

Judith Heisinger, who has served on the board of both organizations, stated that she originally favored a merger, however she now believes there are some major philosophical differences between the two and she is reversing her opinion on it. Chris Terpak-Malm noted that currently the SDC is a smaller organization than the WFCCA.

The by-law issues that currently seem insurmountable include whether or not at-large and non-homeowner association membership should be permitted (as done in the WFCCA),

whether the Land Use Committee should be an elected body (as in the WFCCA) or if a representative of a member association can simply attend the meeting and cast votes, and independence from the Fairfax County Federation.

Commissioner Hart noted there are two questions to be asked: first, what is the WFCCA truly getting out of a merger, other than a larger boundary, and second, what is the reason for changing. Mrs. Heisinger asked whether the WFCCA loses anything if the merger doesn't occur and the SDC disbands. Carol Hawn replied that the WFCCA isn't affected, but the communities within Sully District north of Route 50 lose their opportunity to band together with one voice. They should be responsible for seeing that the SDC doesn't dissolve.

The next merger meeting is set for July 27, 2011.

Admission of New Member Communities - Mrs. Terpak-Malm noted that no new communities requested admission in the past quarter. There was some question whether communities whose dues lapse and are renewed in a later year need to be readmitted to membership.

Election of Land Use Committee for 2011-12 - Nominations Chair Litzenberger placed the names of the current Land Use Committee members in nomination and opened the floor for additional persons wishing to serve on the committee. Hearing none, he closed nominations. It was agreed that the current members of the committee would serve the next year.

Officers' Reports

President's Report - Mr. Trosciancki mentioned that he recently stopped by the Trinity Centre Farmer's Market on Friday afternoons. He purchased beef from Angelic Farms and was impressed. He also noted that Civil War Sesquicentennial celebrations begin this week with the commemoration of First Manassas. There was a question whether Route 29 would be shut down during the events. There will be road closures, but it was not known if this included Route 29. *[For future note, road closures during Manassas Civil War events are available at: www.manassascivilwar.org].* He would like to improve communication between the WFCCA and member communities, as well as ensuring that residents in those communities are aware of items and events. We do not always receive information in a timely manner that allows it to be shared with all residents within the WFCCA.

Secretary's Report - Carol Hawn noted the WFCCA Holiday Reception is scheduled for Sunday, December 4th.*

Treasurer's Report - Mrs. Terpak-Malm presented the Treasurer's Report.

Committee Reports

Transportation - Mrs. Heisinger stated the Poplar Tree widening is chugging along. There was a good community meeting held in May. There is some concern about pedestrian access to Stone Middle School, as students are walking around the construction equipment. The Fair Lakes/Fairfax County Parkways interchange project will get much worse before it is finished. The Lee Highway (Route 29) bridge near Union Mill Road now has funds available for design; the bridge is to be widened. Jim Neighbors asked whether signage not allowing u-turns at the E.C. Lawrence light on Route 28 could be installed.

Land Use - Chair Jim Katcham mentioned the Land Use Committee will not meet tomorrow evening; the New Life Church application on Lee Highway has been moved to September. He will present a 2011-2012 retrospective at that meeting. Commissioner Hart stated that John Thillman should be
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Land Use Committee Presentation

Below is the application reviewed at the September Land Use Committee meeting. No meetings were held in July nor August, as there were no presentations to be scheduled. The WFCCA Land Use Committee meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the James D. McDonnell Community Room 1 in the Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly. If there are no presentations, the meeting is cancelled; contact Jim Katcham, Chair, at jimkcv@gmail.com to see whether the Committee is meeting. All area residents are invited to attend Land Use Committee meetings.

Agent/Applicant	Location	Use	Decision
September 20, 2011			
David Houston / Pohanka Honda	Stonecroft Boulevard / Chantilly Autopark	Auto Sales Establishment	Information Only

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requesting an upcoming committee presentation on a rezoning on Stone Road. There will be a green building policy workshop this fall, as well as a zoning ordinance amendment on independent living facilities for low-income residents. This has been quite controversial over the past couple of years.

Environment, Parks & Recreation - Mrs. Heisinger mentioned there will be a seminar on Urban Water Quality and Community Based Solutions July 21, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at George Mason University. Discussions will focus on stormwater management challenges and local initiatives, urban landscape practices, homeowner education and engagement, and the connection of these practices to water quality.

Education - Chair Mark McConn was not in attendance.

Election of Standing Committee Chairs - Commissioner Litzenger placed the names of the current Standing Committee chairs in nomination and opened the floor for additional persons wishing to serve as chair of these or the Social Services and Outreach Committee. Hearing none, it was agreed that Mark McConn would continue as the Education Committee Chair, Mrs. Terpak-Malm as the Environment & Parks and Recreation Committee Chair, and Mrs. Heisinger as the Transportation Committee Chair for the next year. The WFCCA will revisit finding someone to fill the Social Services and Outreach Chair position at the October quarterly meeting.

Old Business

James D. McDonnell Award - Commissioner Hart asked about the status of the McDonnell Award; Mrs. Hawn will have information at the October quarterly meeting.

Buddhist Temple - The residents of the Bull Run Civic Association continue their concerns over the property in their community. They firmly believe a residential property is being used as a place of worship.

New and Miscellaneous Business

Neighborhood Group Home - Larry Leeds mentioned that a home in their community has been approved for use as a group home for intellectually challenged residents. He believes the community should have been notified about it in advance. They were not given any opportunity for input through the public hearing process; it was done through the state. Commissioner Hart responded that congress has made this an issue by right if the property's residents are a protected, non-medically disabled group. There is a similar home in the former Centreville Farms area. Occasionally, the Board of Zoning Appeals hears an appeal on homes such as these.

Adjournment - With no further business, *Mr. Leeds moved adjournment; Mrs. Heisinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously*, and the meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Hawn

Carol A. Hawn, Secretary
Western Fairfax County Citizens Association

* The Holiday Reception will now be held on Sunday, December 11th, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Ted and Tami Trosciancki's home, 6618 Smiths Trace, Centreville.

WFCCA Elects Standing Committee Chairs and Land Use Committee Members

At its July 18, 2011 quarterly meeting, the WFCCA elected Standing Committee Chairs, as well as Land Use Committee members, to serve through April 2012. Re-elected as Standing Committee Chairs are: Education - Mark McConn (*At-Large*), Environment & Parks and Recreation - Chris Terpak-Malm (*At-Large*), and Transportation - Judith Heisinger (*Bull Run*). At this time, the Social Services and Outreach Committee Chair position is vacant. Committee Chairs serve on the WFCCA Executive Committee that establishes the organization and policies to best achieve the objective of the WFCCA.

The Land Use Committee is responsible for evaluating development applications within the WFCCA geographic area, based upon the needs and interests of the residents within its boundaries. The Committee also reviews pertinent County zoning ordinance amendments authorized by the Board of Supervisors. Re-elected to one-year terms are: Stephen Chulick (*Virginia Chase*), Carol Hawn (*At-Large*), Mrs. Heisinger, James Katcham (*Centre Ridge Regent*), Mr. McConn, Jim Neighbors (*Sully Station I*), and Mrs. Terpak-Malm. After the meeting, the Committee re-elected Mr. Katcham as Chair.

The WFCCA thanks Sully District Planning Commissioner John Litzenger for serving as the Nominating Committee Chair for the elections.

Final 2011 Electric Sunday Events

October 23rd and November 20th are the final local Electric Sunday TV and Computer Recycling Events for 2011. The Electric Sunday Events occur at the I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Road, Fairfax. Between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., residents may recycle old televisions, computers and peripheral electronics such as speakers, printers, scanners, etc. Also, residents can recycle unbroken fluorescent tubes and light bulbs.

Please share these important dates with your residents; for more details about these and other recycling opportunities throughout Fairfax County, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/recycling or call the Recycling InfoLine at 703-324-5052.

◆ *What's on the Ballot in the WFCCA Area* ◆

Below are the seats to be contested in the WFCCA area on November 8, 2011. Please visit www.sbe.virginia.gov to find out those districts in which you reside, as your General Assembly districts (State Senate of Virginia and Virginia House of Delegates) may have changed since you last voted in those races. Abbreviations: (R) = Republican; (D) = Democrat; (I) = Independent; * = Incumbent

State Senate of Virginia

33rd District	34th District	37th District	39th District
Patricia B. Phillips (R) www.patriciaphillips.org	Gerarda M. Culipher (R) www.culipherforsenate.com	Jason A. Flanary (R) http://jasonflanary.com	M. Miller Baker (R) http://millerbaker.org
Mark R. Herring (D)* http://markherring.org	J.C. "Chap" Peterson (D)* http://fairfaxsenator.com	Dave W. Marsden (D)* www.marsdenforsenate.com	George Lincoln Barker (D)* www.senatorbarker.com

Virginia House of Delegates

37th District	40th District	67th District
Brian W. Schoeneman (R) http://brianfordeldelegate.com	Timothy D. "Tim" Hugo (R)* www.timhugo.com	James M. "Jim" LeMunyon (R)* www.lemunyon.com
David L. Bulova (D)* http://davidbulova.com	Dianne L. Blais (I) www.diannefordeldelegate.com	Eric E. Clingan (D) www.clinganfordeldelegate.com

Commonwealth's Attorney

Raymond F. Morrogh (D)*
<http://raymorrogh.com>

Office of Sheriff

Bill A. Cooper III (R)
www.cooperforsheriff.net

Stan G. Berry (D)*
www.fairfaxsheriff.com

Fairfax County School Bond

Visit www.fcps.edu/news/bond11.htm for more information on the Fairfax County School Bond, below.

Question: Shall the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County, Virginia, contract a debt, borrow money, and issue capital improvement bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$252,750,000, for the purposes of providing funds, in addition to funds from school bonds previously authorized and any other available funds, to finance, including reimbursement to the County for temporary financing for, the costs of school improvements, including acquiring, building, expanding and renovating properties, including new sites, new buildings or additions, renovations and improvements to existing buildings, and furnishings and equipment, for the Fairfax County public school system?

Chairman, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors

Mike J. "Spike" Williams (R) www.vote4williams.com	Sharon S. Bulova (D)* www.sharonbulova.com
Christopher F. DeCarlo (I) www.honestyandethics.com	A. Will Radle, Jr. (I) fairfaxadvocates@gmail.com

Supervisor, Springfield District

Patrick S. "Pat" Herrity (R)*
www.patherrity.org

Supervisor, Sully District

Michael R. Frey (R)*
www.michaelfrey.org

Shahid S. Malik (D)
<http://malikforsupervisor.com>

Fairfax County School Board, At-Large (vote for not more than three)

Sheree A. Brown-Kaplan http://brownkaplan4schoolboard.com	Lin-Dai Y. Kendall http://lindai.webs.com	Lolita I. Mancheno-Smoak http://lolita4schoolboard.com
Ryan L. McElveen www.ryanforschoolboard.com	Ilyryong Moon* http://moon4schools.com	Steven M. F. Stuban www.stubanforschoolboard.com
Theodore J. "Ted" Velkoff http://tv4sb.org		

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WFCCA Quarterly Meeting

Monday, October 17, 2011

7:00 p.m.

Sully District Governmental Center and Police Station
4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly

The James D. McDonnell Community Room 1

**The guest speaker will be Philip Allin,
Chairman and Sully District Member, Fairfax Water Board of Directors**

There will be a question and answer period.

All area residents are invited to attend.

*The WFCCA Land Use Committee meets the third Tuesday
at 7:00 p.m. in the Sully District Governmental Center.*