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**Important Stoneybrooke Community meeting,
March 7 (see article inside for details)**

Message From Supervisor McKay

A Comprehensive Review of How We Do Business

Despite tough economic times, Fairfax County has worked hard to maintain its reputation for being fiscally responsible and transparent. This is evident by our much-coveted AAA bond rating, the highest credit rating a jurisdiction can obtain. This rating was just reaffirmed by all three rating agencies, thanks to what they cited as strong fiscal policies and effective leadership. Even with such a positive outlook, our Board decided to undertake a comprehensive review of its almost 400 Lines of Business (LOBs) as a means to reevaluate our practices for efficiencies.

LOBs help provide a thorough understanding of the functions and services provided by different agencies in Fairfax. Having this understanding allows staff, the Board of Supervisors, and the community to determine the efficiency, effectiveness, and long-term funding strategies for each of these programs and services.

Each LOB outlines the purpose of a program or service, provides a discussion of relevant challenges and trends, includes opportunities for alternatives, as well as metrics that help illustrate the number of people using a particular service. Beginning in January, agencies began presenting their LOBs to the Board of Supervisors.

In the past eight years, Fairfax County has eliminated more than 700 positions and cut more than \$300 million from our budget. Additional reductions will inevitably impact our ability to address the County's priorities. The LOBs review process will allow us to fully understand the impacts of future budget decisions.

As our Board's new Budget Committee chairman, I want to be sure we are using resources in the most efficient way possible and that every single dollar we spend is spent wisely towards maintaining the integrity and quality of our community.

The Board of Supervisors will determine next steps following extensive community outreach and internal discussions on our priorities. Ultimately, the Board will discuss a sustainable financial plan to pay for services and invest in the future of Fairfax County. I always welcome your ideas and suggestions on County operations and will provide information as the LOBs process moves forward and community meetings are scheduled. As always, let me know if you have any questions.

Stoneybrooke Community Association (SCA) Interest Meeting

Our SCA past president, Mike Jurkowski, has graciously volunteered to host a community meeting at this home at 6920 Stoneybrooke Lane on Monday, March 7 at 7 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information to any interested resident on how to get involved with the SCA, be it an officer or other volunteer positions (organizing kids' activities, neighborhood gatherings, Sentinel, directory, etc.) The last couple of Sentinel editions have highlighted the importance of volunteers to run the SCA and SCA activities, and that there are a number of positions currently available. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

FCPS School Board Approves FY 2017-21 Capital Improvement Program, Including Four New Elementary Schools, One New High School (reprinted by permission)

The Fairfax County School Board voted to approve the Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) FY 2017-21 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) at its business meeting on January 21. The FY 2017-21 CIP includes new schools, capacity enhancements, and renovations reflecting a five-year requirement of \$777 million, or roughly \$155 million per year, for new schools and additions, capacity enhancements, and renovations to address current and anticipated enrollment increases. Included in this CIP are plans for four new elementary schools and one high school to relieve overcrowding in existing schools. Funds approved in the 2015 School Bond Referendum and previous referenda will address approximately \$429 million of the five-year requirement, leaving a balance of \$347 million unfunded.

“This CIP addresses some of our critical needs and will help relieve crowding in some of our existing schools,” said Board Chair Pat Hynes. “We are particularly challenged by growth in certain areas of the county and higher growth rates among middle and high school students, requiring us to examine a variety of solutions, including temporary classrooms, modular additions, and boundary adjustments. Any boundary adjustments would be discussed and decided with considerable input from the community.”



The FY 2017-21 CIP reflects \$310 million approved by county voters in the 2015 School Bond Referendum. Among the funded projects are:

- A gym for Bailey's Upper Elementary School for the Arts and Sciences.
- A new elementary school in the Route 1 area to alleviate crowding in the Groveton-Hybla Valley area of the county.
- An expansion and renovation to Fort Belvoir Elementary School.
- Additions to South Lakes High School and Westbriar Elementary School.
- Three modular addition relocations.

Unfunded projects include a new elementary school in the northwest part of the county (planning is funded, construction is unfunded), an elementary school in the Fairfax-Oakton area, a high school in the western part of the county near the end of Metro's Silver Line, additions to two high schools and one middle school, and one modular addition relocation.

Funding for capital improvement projects is currently limited by a \$155 million yearly cap on school bond sales. Additional funding sources include \$13.1 from the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors for infrastructure management, and a grant from the U.S. Department of Defense that will fund 80 percent of the cost of upgrades to the existing Fort Belvoir Elementary School and a construction of a new school on an adjacent site.

Details about the FY 2017-21 CIP are available at <http://www.fcps.edu/fts/planning/cip.shtml>.

Note from the Editors

Please contact the editors with your news and information: Carrie Wehling Michaud and Jessica Kaplan (cwehlingmichaud@verizon.net and floreskaplan@gmail.com)

Neighborhood Watch

More news next month.

D. Faxon
Stoneybrooke Citizens Association
Neighborhood Watch Coordinator
571-437-7696 (cell)

Letters to the Editors:

No letters this month.



2016 Stoneybrooke Board and Committees

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Announcements

Registration for Bethany Lutheran Preschool. It's a new year and time to plan for the 2016-17 school year for your little one. Registration began Wednesday, January 20th. A registration application and forms are available at the church website or by contacting the preschool office. We offer classes for children ages 2 – 5 years-old. Learn more by contacting Tonia 703-765-8687 or PRESCHOOL@BETHANY-LCMS.ORG . Visits during the school day are welcomed. Interested in viewing pictures of what happens in the classrooms during the day? Check us out on Facebook. www.Facebook.com/BLPreschool It's guaranteed to put a smile on your face.

FCPS Superintendent Listening Sessions. Superintendent Karen K. Garza invites students, parents, employees, and community members to participate in any of the upcoming 2016 Listening Tour meetings.

Garza, accompanied by the regional assistant superintendents, will provide an update on the budget, Strategic Plan, classroom initiatives, and other happenings in FCPS and listen to ideas, comments, and questions from the audience. Those planning to attend are asked to register in advance online and indicate if an interpreter is needed.

The complete schedule of meetings, which begin at 6:30pm, are as follows:

- Tuesday, February 9, Madison High School, 2500 James Madison Dr., Vienna.
- Wednesday, February 17, Annandale High School, 4700 Medford Dr., Annandale.
- Tuesday, February 23, South County High School, 8501 Silverbrook Rd., Lorton.
- Monday, February 29, Centreville High School, 6001 Union Mill Rd., Clifton.

Additional information is available at <http://www.fcps.edu/news/listening.shtml>.

Free Yoga Class. Free, Family Friendly Yoga Class is open to the community. Class meets weekly on Tuesday evenings from 7:00PM - 8:00PM at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1301 Collingwood Road, Alexandria, VA 22308. Appropriate for 3 Year olds and up. Contact Judy Jurkowski at 703-765-6555 ext 626 or JJurkowski@aldersgate.net for more information.

Streetlights. If you notice streetlights that are out, it's easy to get them fixed. Just call Virginia Power at 1-866-366-4357 and provide the street address where the streetlight is located.

Stoneybrooke on Facebook. Please join the Stoneybrooke community ("Stoneybrooke Neighborhood (Alexandria, VA)") on Facebook for up-to-date community news and information.



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Supervisor McKay's Newsletter: If you would like to be on the distribution list for Supervisor McKay's electronic newsletter, please send an email to leedist@fairfaxcounty.gov and include 'subscribe' in the subject line.

The plant club of Stoneybrooke: The Plant Exchange provides a place where gardeners in the community can offer plants, cuttings, seeds and bulbs for trade and make requests for what they are seeking. Items for sale are not permitted. If interested contact: Zoya DiCaprio at zoya@zoyaphoto.com. Here is the link for the plant club: <http://zoyaphoto.com/PlantClub.htm> We hope you can join us.



Other ways to find out what's going on in Stoneybrooke: Join the Stoneybrooke group email list, which includes most of the neighborhood. It's a secure way for neighborhood residents to view messages and information about the community. Contact the SCA email coordinator, Dina Staskiewicz, at Stoneybrooke_Citizens@yahoo.com for more information

Classifieds

NOTE: Any SCA family member that would like to place an ad, please send a note or email to the editors with the ad information and your contact information. Listings of items for sale are limited to one year. Ads for contractor services require at least one written recommendation (e.g. email) from a Stoneybrooke resident. The editors reserve the right to remove or reject such ads.

Caleb's Odd Jobs. If you need jobs done, from dog walking to lawn-mowing to anything else that you can think of, Caleb's Odd Jobs has your back! No job is too big or too small, that's our motto. You can call us at 703-768-4249, or shoot us an email at CalebsOddJobs@icloud.com

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Adrianna is a 15 year old at West Potomac High School. She has 9 years of singing experience and has been self-taught in guitar for almost two years. Adrianna has performed at the White House, at Wolf Trap, and was selected to sing in the Carnegie Hall High School Honors Performance Series Choir in February of 2015.

For more information or if you are interested in hearing a sample of her singing, please email ADRIANNASINGS@YAHOO.COM!

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**Stoneybrooke Citizens Association
2015-2016 Membership Drive**



Why join?

1. It's easy and inexpensive!
2. It funds the community directory.
3. It funds our monthly newsletter.
4. It funds year-round social activities for adults and children.
5. It funds our new website!
6. The association is the best source of local information including transportation and school initiatives.
7. Strong membership builds credibility with other local associations and local politicians.
8. Your involvement promotes improved property value and neighborhood safety.

How to join!

1. Make out a \$20 check payable to "SCA".
 2. Fill out and print the information slip below.
 3. Mail your slip and check to the Stoneybrooke Treasurer:
Bernie Tabarini
3803 Cobblestone Court
Alexandria, VA 22306
treasurer@stoneybrooke.org
- Or give them to your block captain.
4. Enjoy our great neighborhood!

Your Name: <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	Directory Information
Your Spouse's Name: <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	
Address: <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	
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Check One: Include us in the Community Directory <input type="checkbox"/> OR Do not include us in the Directory <input type="checkbox"/>	
Email: <input style="width: 70%;" type="text"/>	To receive your copy of The Stoneybrooke Sentinel by email Not for community directory or other mailings

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