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DISASTER STRIKES! WHAT DO YOU DO?



What if Springfield is caught in the cross-hairs of a hurricane and sees devastation like the folks hit by Hurricanes Milton and Helene? Our presenters at the March 18th SCA meeting have firsthand knowledge because they're the ones who respond locally and even internationally when such disasters strike. Join us and members of Fairfax County's International Urban Search and Rescue Team, Macy Hunsicker, and Scott Schermerhorn along with their canine team member, Phrenzy (shown with Macy), for a riveting presentation!



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The saga of determining what's going to happen to our beautiful Lake Accotink continues! See the article by Martin "Shep" Shepherd, a member of the 2023 Lake Accotink Task Force and a longtime advocate for the lake on pages 2-3 for an update.

This month, you should have received your Fairfax County Real Estate Assessment. You have opportunities to learn more about the assessment and the proposed tax increases and to make your opinion known to your elected officials. Two such opportunities are:

- **Franconia Supervisor Rodney Lusk** will be holding a Franconia District Budget Town Hall virtually on April 1, 2025. The Town Hall will be televised on Channel 16 and streamed online.
- **Springfield Supervisor Pat Herry** will host his annual Budget Town Hall on Tuesday, March 25 at 7:00 PM on Channel 16 and Facebook Live. Questions can be submitted via email at SpringfieldBOS@fairfaxcounty.gov or on Facebook @Supervisor Herry.

If you'd like to know more about the FY26 Advertised Budget and take part in a survey or sign up to testify/comment, go to:

https://flask.us.nextdoor.com/ct/nM41f3EyVw97KkyAB7Kpl_5vO469zpz4-QRF8Xj62jwzgjATQHGkO2Wq17xs-F7tA26gjBV7RfeUZaBs3-ixdg==?_gl=1*173xxry*_gcl_au*Nzc5MjY0MzZM2LjE3MzgyODE3Nzc

This is an opportunity for you to be an informed citizen and to let the Board of Supervisors hear from you.

Please join us for an outstanding program on March 18th ! More information on page 6. There will be a gift certificate from Eddie Greenan Jeweler (one of our longtime supporters!) for some lucky person! See the story about Eddie and Vicki Greenan and their amazing family on page 9.

We value you and would like to hear your ideas!

~Gail



March Meeting
Tuesday, March 18,
2025
7:00pm—Social
7:30pm—Meeting
Crestwood Elementary
School

Program:
What Do You Do
When Disaster
Strikes?

Scott Schermerhorn
Macy Hunsicker
Phrenzy
(Canine Team Member)
Fairfax County Urban
Search and Rescue

Lake Accotink Preservation Feasibility Study Update Contributed by Martin "Shep" Shepherd

The recent Lake Accotink Preservation Feasibility Study update, provided through Supervisor James Walkinshaw's [Braddock Beacon Newsletter for February 2025](#) (published 2/7/2025), highlights several ongoing efforts and key milestones. However, critical questions remain unanswered, and gaps in public transparency persist. Below is a detailed evaluation of the update, key takeaways, and questions that need addressing.

A. IMPORTANT TAKEAWAYS:

- 1. Sediment Study:** Field monitoring and lake modeling continue, with USGS preparing a webpage dedicated to their sediment measurement work. Once available, the link will be provided on the project's website: "[Smaller Lake Accotink Preservation Feasibility Study](#)" (<https://publicinput.com/lake-accotink-preservation>).
- 2. Dam Assessment:** The Fairfax County Park Authority initiated the lake drawdown on January 3, 2025. However, operations were temporarily halted due to snow and ice on January 10. The drawdown will resume as conditions allow, enabling an inspection of the dam and spillway.
- 3. Preservation Feasibility Study Scope and Schedule:** Feedback from a recent public survey has led to updates in the scope of work and schedule. A document showing how comments were incorporated and the updated scope will be posted on the project's website later this month.
- 4. Cost Estimation:** The consultant is preparing a cost estimate for the feasibility study. The County will review and negotiate this estimate before authorizing the commencement of the study.
- 5. Outreach and Engagement:** A new multi-lingual public engagement website has been launched. The site will provide updates on public meetings and opportunities to share comments. Additionally, last fall's public survey results are available under the "Additional resources" section at [this link](#).
- 6. Community Engagement Plan:** The engagement plan is being revised based on survey results and will be available for public review upon completion.
- 7. Project Background and Previous Studies:** Information on prior studies and project history is accessible through the DPWES project website.

B. Key Questions For Consideration:

1. Why have there been no formal public meetings?

Background: Although Friends of Lake Accotink Park (FLAP) hosted three meetings with County DPWES staff, representatives from Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA), the organization overseeing the dam assessment, have not attended any of these meetings to provide updates. Further, considering the topic, these meetings should have—but did not meet the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (VIA) standards. These meetings were poorly advertised and limited to FLAP volunteers. Why has there been no effort to hold properly announced public meetings to engage the wider community that complies with VFOIA requirements?

2. Why has it taken over a year to complete contract negotiations for the feasibility study?

Background: The Board Matter approving the study was passed on January 23, 2024. There is still no completed task order, and the Board of Supervisors has yet to approve the contract in the second year of a hidden process without any progress made. A year-long delay has resulted in additional silt accumulation, complicating future dredging efforts. What specific factors have caused this delay and what measures are being implemented to prevent further setbacks?

3. Where is the project timeline specified in the Board Matter?

Background: To date, no comprehensive project planning document, such as a Gantt Chart, has been publicly shared. Lifecycle project planning must include programming of activities from the very start of internal discussions, timelines for deliverables, and milestones through to the final report. Why has the County not made a project timeline publicly available, and when can stakeholders expect to see one? (Continued on page 3)

Lake Accotink Preservation Feasibility Study Update (cont'd)

4. What is the status of the updated Scope of Work and cost negotiations?

The update mentions that the consultant is preparing a cost estimate and that negotiations will follow. The County stated that the survey results would be integrated into the Scope of Work. How did the survey results affect the Scope of Work? What is the anticipated timeline for finalizing these negotiations and officially launching the feasibility study?

5. How will the County ensure equitable public engagement moving forward?

Background: The engagement plan is being updated based on survey results, but previous engagement efforts have been limited and have not included the broader community. What new mechanisms will be included in the revised plan to ensure broader participation, especially from underrepresented groups?

6. Why is there no mention of the Robinson Terminal options for dredged material handling?

Background: There has been significant discussion about identifying a suitable location for dewatering and transporting dredged materials. Robinson Terminal offers infrastructure and logistical advantages over other proposed sites. Why has this option not been explicitly evaluated or discussed in the update?

CONCLUSION:

While the status update provides insight into ongoing activities, significant gaps in transparency and community engagement remain. The lack of a publicly available project timeline, delays in contract negotiations, and limited formal public meetings highlight critical areas requiring improvement. The County must address these concerns promptly to build community trust and ensure the long-term success of the Lake Accotink Preservation Feasibility Study.

How Do You Want Lake Accotink, A County Treasure, To Look?

Like this?



Or

Like this?



Contact your supervisor's office and tell them what your hopes are for this treasure. Your voice needs to be heard! You can also check out the efforts of "Save Lake Accotink" on their Facebook page "Save Lake Accotink Community".

Consider joining Save Lake Accotink and find out how you can get involved !



Franconia District Supervisor Rodney Lusk Update

Dear Residents of Springfield,

As you may have seen, County Executive Bryan Hill presented his proposed budget to the Board of Supervisors on February 18, 2025, at the Board of Supervisors meeting. After a series of budget public town halls, hearings, and Board discussions on the proposed budget, the Board of Supervisors will make changes and vote on May 13 on a final budget.

There were several key aspects of the proposed budget and the presentation from the County Executive I wanted to highlight for you:



- Countywide residential real estate assessments increased on average by 6.65%. Franconia District's average was 6.03%. Housing demand continues to outpace housing supply, increasing housing costs and highlighting the need for more housing. These large increases in residential assessments are the driver for the average tax bill increase.
- The County Executive's proposed budget includes a 1.5-cent real estate tax rate increase which would generate approximately \$51 million dollars or about \$120 dollars on the average real estate tax bill. The increase in the proposed real estate tax and real estate assessments would calculate out as an average tax bill increase of \$638.
- The commercial and industrial percentage of the total real estate tax revenue declined again this year, driven by 5 years of post-pandemic decreases in the Office-Elevator real estate value. Office-Elevator represents about a ¼ of the non-residential real estate tax base. This adds extra pressure on the residential tax base.
- The County Executive identified approximately \$60 million in cost reductions, which is the most proposed since FY 2010, shortly after the Great Recession. Last year, \$30 million in reductions were implemented.
- The County Executive recommended the Board consider increasing the Transient Occupancy Tax and implementing a Food and Beverage Tax, also known as a Meals Tax, as a means to provide real estate tax relief. It is estimated that approximately a third of all generated funds from a Food and Beverage Tax would be paid for by those who live outside Fairfax County. The Board will consider this recommendation in future Budget Committee meetings.

The Board of Supervisors will hold public hearings on the FY 2026 Proposed Budget on April 22, 23, and 24. You can participate in these hearings through various methods.

How to provide input on the proposed FY 2026 budget:

- Email FY26Budget@publicinput.com
- By Phone at 703-890-5898, code 7574
- Online and Text options are available at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/budget/fy-2026-feedback

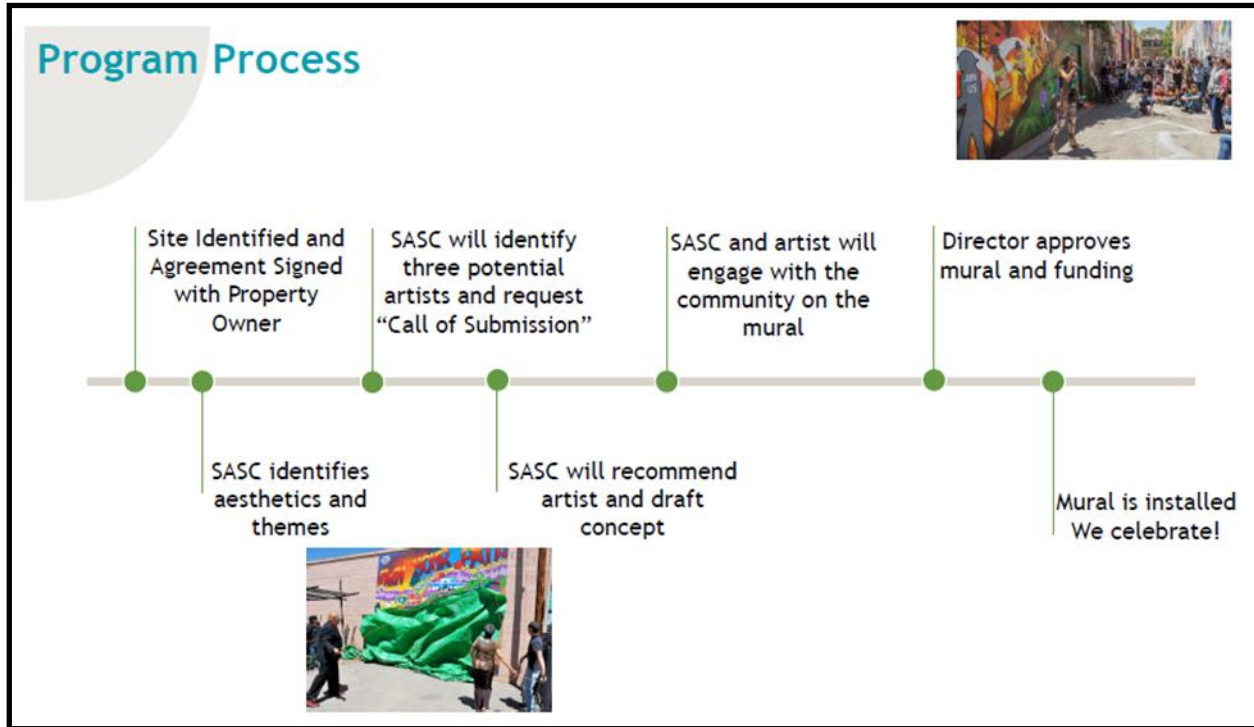
Testify at a budget public hearing in person, by video or phone. Sign up at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/speakers-form. Call the Clerk to the Board's Office at (703) 324-3151 (TTY 711) or email clerktothebos@fairfaxcounty.gov for more information.

I will hold a virtual budget town hall for Franconia District residents on April 1 at 7 p.m. on Channel 16 to answer questions and gather feedback. Details on how to participate will be shared on our social media channels and in the Lusk Report closer to the date. You can sign up for the Lusk Report at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/franconia.

I also wanted to update residents on the progress of the Paint it, Fairfax! Springfield Mural Program. The program provides funding and technical support for public murals in each of the Commercial Revitalization Districts and Areas (CRDs/CRA) within Fairfax County. The program aims to engage the community in showcasing its unique assets and building vitality in the CRDs/CRA through creative placemaking efforts. A Site and Artist Selection Committee (SASC) has been convened to work with staff and help guide the process for a mural installation at the Springfield Parking Garage. We are grateful to **Marta Morrissey**, who represents the Springfield Civic Association on the SASC. The results from the community survey conducted by staff to help identify themes for the mural were recently posted online and can be viewed at [Paint it, Fairfax! Springfield Mural Survey - Publicinput](#).

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Upcoming steps in the process include artist selection, community engagement and mural installation. It is anticipated that the mural at the Springfield Commuter Garage will be completed during Summer 2025.



In closing, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve you on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. I would like an opportunity to attend an upcoming meeting of the full Springfield Civic Association, share updates and learn of community concerns. Please reach out to my office at (703) 971-6262 for scheduling.

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Winner, Winner, Bamboo Dinner!

The National Zoo just received two new pandas who need to be fed. Fairfax County has plenty of invasive bamboo that needs to be removed from public lands.

It just so happens that bamboo is the panda’s favorite food! Ninety-nine percent of a panda’s diet is bamboo. Because the plant is so low in nutritional value, pandas have to eat a lot of it and they spend 10-16 hours a day filling their bellies with bamboo. That’s about 26-84 pounds a day!

In order to manage the amount of invasive bamboo growing on county owned land, Fairfax County and the National Zoo have come up with a plan that is beneficial to the County, the National Zoo, and the pandas. The county cuts down the bamboo, gives it to the Zoo and the pandas get a delicious meal! Win, win, win!



Fairfax County International Urban Search and Rescue Team

March 18 SCA Meeting Presenters

The Fairfax County International Urban Search and Rescue Team, sponsored by the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department is capable of both domestic and international disaster response.

The team has extensive deployment experience with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the US Agency for International Development (USAID). The Team is recognized throughout the United States and the world, as a premier leader in disaster response and the provision of training in catastrophic event mitigation, readiness and recovery.

The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, along with the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, greatly supports the Team in its mission. With their strong support, and the support of the residents of Fairfax County, the Team will continue assisting the development and enhancement of other search and rescue resources to ultimately lessen the probability and necessity of it being deployed.

Formed in 1986 after the devastating Mexico City earthquake in 1985, the Team is comprised of approximately 210 trained and equipped personnel, including firefighters and paramedics from the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, as well as highly trained civilian personnel including physicians, canine handlers, and structural engineers.



Since our first mission in 1988 to former Soviet-Armenia, the Team has deployed to dozens of natural and man-made disasters around the globe, saving countless lives and alleviating human suffering along the way.

Presenting on the Team at our SCA March 18th meeting are Macy Hunsicker, Phrenzy, and Scott Schermerhorn.



Macy Hunsicker joined VA-TF1 in October of 2021, and certified with K9 Phrenzy in November 2023. Phrenzy is a 3-year-old Labrador Retriever and a 4th generation FEMA USAR K-9. Last fall, Macy and Phrenzy deployed with VA-TF1 in support of Hurricanes Milton and Helene. Phrenzy’s favorite food is popcorn, and she loves to work for her bungee toy!

Scott Schermerhorn joined VA-TF1 in November of 2007, and has deployed with the Team more than two dozen times in multiple positions including Task Force Leader, Logistics Manager, as well as Rescue and Medical Specialist. Most recently he deployed as a US&R SME to FEMA Headquarters during the Hurricanes Milton and Helene response, and as Task Force Leader during the Team’s deployment to the 2023 Türkiye Earthquake. Scott’s favorite food is also popcorn, and he loves to work for the US&R System!



Richard Byrd Library Update

Greetings from Richard Byrd Library! There's always something new happening at the library!



Top left. Pet Portrait Painting. Top right. Lunar New Year craft program. Center. Preschool STEAM: Light and Shadow. Bottom left. Preschool Storytime. Bottom right. The Art of Alma Thomas painting program.

Donation Drives

Tis the season for giving at the library! In March, we are collecting new, unopened [menstrual supplies](https://bit.ly/MenstrualDrive2025) (bit.ly/MenstrualDrive2025) for free distribution at library branches and the Kate Hanley Family Shelter. In April, we will be collecting packaged food for local food pantries as part of our annual Read and Feed drive. We hope you're able to join us by donating materials for these worthy causes.

Upcoming Events at Richard Byrd

Thanks to the generous support of the Friends of the Richard Byrd Library, we have some great programs coming this spring, including:

Saturday, April 12 at 2pm, [Clutter Busting with Brooks Palmer](#). Popular author and humorist Brooks Palmer returns to the library to provide gentle guidance on how to reduce the household clutter that's affecting your relationships and your life. (bit.ly/RB_Clutter)

Coffee and a Classic, first Friday of the month at 10:30am. Enjoy a cup of coffee and a classic film at the library! For movie titles, please call the library at 703-451-8055 or check our events calendar at bit.ly/RB_Movie.

In addition to these great programs, we host storytimes, book clubs, English conversation groups, art programs, and other activities each month for the whole community to enjoy. For more information on all of Richard Byrd's programs, visit bit.ly/RB_Programs. We would also love the chance to visit you! If you'd like to invite us to participate in an upcoming event with your organization or share information about the library and its resources, please reach out to us at librb@fairfaxcounty.gov. We hope to see you soon!

Scam Jam 2025

Join [AARP Virginia](#) and [Fairfax County's Silver Shield Anti-Scam Campaign](#) to learn more about how to protect yourself from scammers and how to protect older adults from fraud, abuse, and exploitation.

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Northern Virginia Community College

Richard J. Ernst Community Cultural Center

8430 Center Drive

Annandale, VA 22003



Scam Jam 2025

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ECHO NEWS

Welcome to ECHO!

Barbara Ryan, Housewares Chair, is so happy to welcome seven new volunteers, Austin, Harris, Shafuq, TJ, Karen, Haryad, and Patti, to her team! They are all ready to receive household goods that ECHO clients need. We especially need bathmats, shower curtains, any size comforter, and flatware (these don't have to be in sets).

Volunteers in the Clothing area are just as eager as their Housewares counterparts to receive donations. They need contributions of new underwear for men in waist sizes 32 to 38, men's new or gently used jeans in waist sizes 30 and 32, boys' sneakers in sizes 5 and 6, packages of baby wipes, disposable diapers in sizes 4, 5, or 6, and feminine pads.

A volunteer opportunity of interest to an amateur (or professional) photographer is available. We need someone who would partner with Communications volunteers to build a video and photographic record by photographing and archiving ECHO's special events. The time commitment would vary.

A few more volunteer opportunities exist for working with donations on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Saturday mornings, or working to interview and assist clients on a Tuesday or Thursday evening. We would like to add one or two more adult supervisors for our Teen Program on Wednesday evenings. If you want to find out more about volunteering with ECHO, see job descriptions and information about which positions are currently open at www.echo-inc.org/volunteer-opportunities-for-adults. If you'd like to sign up for a particular volunteer position, send an email to volunteercoordinator@echo-inc.org.

Our Food Pantry welcomes all non-perishable foods and personal hygiene items, though we currently have plenty of canned vegetables and boxed stuffing mix. We need canned meats and fish as well as dried beans, bagged rice, spices, and condiments such as mayonnaise and ketchup. Children's toothbrushes are almost always in short supply. See the complete list of things we try to keep in stock on our home page, www.echo-inc.org.

Please bring donations to our Donation Door at 7205 Old Keene Mill Road on weekdays between 9:30 am and 12:30 pm, or between 7:00 and 9:00 on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evenings. Receipts are happily provided.

Mark Your Calendar for ECHO's Grand Yard Sale

If you've never attended the ECHO Yard Sale, you've missed a fun opportunity to hunt for treasures among the thousands of items organized by category on dozens of tables in St. Bernadette's School Gymnasium. You will have an opportunity to see why people will line up early for our 8:00 am opening on Saturday, April 26, at St. Bernadette's, 7600 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield. From home decorating items to electronics to jewelry, we have loads to choose from at wonderful prices. Proceeds support ECHO, Ecumenical Community Helping Others.

Woman's Club of Springfield

Helping children from Infancy to graduation, The Women's Club of Springfield has programs that care for kids.

We have a layette program that donates layettes and needed items to two hospitals. We also donate school supplies, clothing, sports equipment, food, and gift cards for groceries to the schools. We participate in school activities and teacher resources. We work at the Richard Byrd Library's book sales to earn money for specialty programs. We award a scholarship every year to a graduating senior girl who is continuing her education. We support the Practice Kindness anti bullying programs, because what you learn in childhood stays with you your whole life. We want our community, and our children to thrive!

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Sponsor Spotlight

Eddie Greenan Jewelers

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Business Owners With A Heart

Anyone who has visited this family-owned business has likely met Eddie and Vicki Greenan and knows what family means to this couple. You often see some of their children in the store or hear their parents speak lovingly about them. They say that their children "give them purpose". Early on, they had four biological children. Later, they adopted six children with special needs. Three years after that their family grew again as they adopted three disabled Ukrainian orphans and then two additional Ukrainian orphans.



Our Children Have Given Us A Purpose



There are two videos, available below, in which you can hear more about the Greenan's adoption journeys. One of the interviewers asked Vicki, "How has your life been since the adoptions?" She said, "My life has purpose, every single day! Every diaper, every medical appointment — my life has purpose." Before we hung up the phone, I said to her, "You know that you saved these children." "No," she said immediately, "They saved me."

A Virginia Couple Opened Their Home to 5 Ukrainian Orphans | EWTN News Nightly

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NnHpXxvdl-E>

Virginia family finds new meaning adopting Ukrainian children | National Catholic Reporter

<https://www.ncronline.org/opinion/guest-voices/my-life-has-purpose-virginia-family-finds-new-meaning-adopting-ukrainian>



Friends of Richard Byrd Library Update

Richard Byrd Library hours:

Mon - Tue 10am – 9pm, Wed – Sat, 10am – 6pm, Sun, closed

Be sure to check the Richard Byrd Library website events calendar for regular updates: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/richard-byrd>

Next Book Sale!!

Look for our next book sale in late May, after Memorial Day...lots of summer reading bargains and maybe a few grad or dad gifts!

Can't wait for the sale...stop by the daily sale at the library (behind Check-out Desk) to find your next great read now! You might also want to check out the specialty cart with seasonal items.

Legos in the Library

Join us for the next monthly session of Legos in the Library on March 20th. Children and parents have loads of fun creating engineering marvels from hundreds of little plastic blocks. What will you build?

Coffee and a Classic Movie / Apr 4, 10:30 AM

Come by the library on the first Friday of every month at 10:30 AM to have coffee and watch a classic movie. Due to copyright restrictions, we cannot publish the title but here's a clue...1951 romantic comedy of an American in the city of lights starring Gene Kelly and Leslie Caron. Check the library website for May and Jun titles.



Did you know the Friends raise funds to support:

- Children's performers at the library.
- New York Times, Scientific America and 14 other publications.
- Summer reading programs and all hands-on programming.
- Fall for the Book author presentations.
- Special seasonal celebrations at the library.
- And much more!

Donations: As always, we welcome all donations of gently used books (print and audio), DVDs, CDs and LPs. Donation receipts provided upon request.

Volunteer: Looking for your next volunteer opportunity...come join the Friends of the Richard Byrd Library! Contact us at: rbfriends@gmail.com.

Fairfax County Animal Shelter Needs Your Towels

The [Fairfax County Animal Shelter](#) (FCAS) needs towel donations, especially hand towels, which are used daily to help keep pets cozy and cared for.

If you have any towels to spare, donations can be dropped off at either shelter location:

- Lorton Campus (8875 Lorton Road, Lorton)
- Michael R. Frey Campus (4500 West Ox Road, Fairfax)

Read more about donating on [FCAS' website](#).



March is Woman's History Month

Influential Women in American History

Amelia Earhart

Amelia Mary Earhart was an American aviation pioneer. On July 2, 1937, she disappeared over the Pacific Ocean while attempting to become the first female pilot to circumnavigate the world.

Susan B. Anthony

Susan B. Anthony was an American social reformer and women's rights activist who played a pivotal role in the women's suffrage movement. Born into a Quaker family committed to social equality, she collected anti-slavery petitions at the age of 17.

Harriet Tubman

Harriet Tubman was an American abolitionist and social activist. After escaping slavery, Tubman made some 13 missions to rescue approximately 70 enslaved people, including her family and friends, using the network of antislavery activists and safe houses known collectively as the Underground Railroad.

Helen Keller

Helen Adams Keller was an American author, disability rights advocate, political activist and lecturer. Born in West Tuscumbia, Alabama, she lost her sight and her hearing after a bout of illness when she was 19 months old.

Eleanor Roosevelt

Anna Eleanor Roosevelt was an American political figure, diplomat, and activist. She was the longest-serving first lady of the United States, during her husband Franklin D. Roosevelt's four terms as president from 1933 to 1945. Through her travels, public engagement, and advocacy, she largely redefined the role.

Cherry Blossom Bloom Forecast

At a press conference on February 27, the National Park Service announced their initial 2025 peak bloom forecast. They expect peak bloom to be between **March 28 and 31**.



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 Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV).....804-497-7100
 Metrobus and Metrorail (WMATA).....202-637-7623
 Virginia Railway Express (VRE).....800-743-3873



Need Information?

Contact the SCA

Do you have a question for the SCA?

Contact us via email at

springfieldcivic@yahoo.com.

Check out our website at

www.springfieldcivic.org.

We're on Facebook ! Check us out at
Springfield Civic Association.

Time to Pay SCA Dues!

The new membership year for the Springfield Civic Association (SCA) begins in September of each year so dues for the 2024-2025 program year are due now.

Due to increased activities and expenses, dues for one year were increased to \$20.00 per household.

The funds raised from dues go directly to help support the SCA and its programs which directly benefit our community. If you have supported the SCA in the past by being a member, thank you! We hope you'll renew your membership now. If you have attended meetings or joined in activities as a non-paying participant, please consider becoming a paid member. One of the SCA's goals is to bring people together and encourage them to be active in community affairs. We advocate for our community's interests and concerns through local government and other entities. Please partner with us by renewing or starting your paid membership NOW and by getting involved!

Dues can be paid via PayPal, using our website at www.springfieldcivic.org, or by sending a check to SCA, P.O. Box 842, Springfield, VA 22150. Thank you in advance for supporting the SCA in its effort to enhance the quality of life in Springfield.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP & SUPPORT!

Upcoming SCA Membership Meetings:

- * **Tuesday, March 18, 2025**
- * **Tuesday, May 20, 2025**



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Camp classes located in the eastern region of Fairfax County are designated as Team Green Camp and will start registration on February 4. Classes taking place in the western region of the County, Team Blue Camp, will begin registration on February 6.

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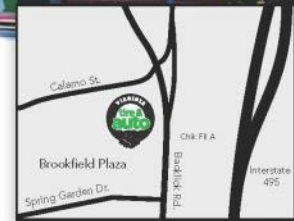
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- Effectively interacting with local government and community organizations
- Enhancing the quality of life in Springfield.

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