

# BBHCA eNews

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## Telecommunications Tower Proposed for Oakwood Road

T-Mobile Northeast, LLC, has filed a 2232 application with the Fairfax County Planning Office. The application is for a 160' monopole which is proposed to be erected at 5419 Oakwood Road, Alexandria. The property is zoned C-3. This application is currently pending review and a hearing has been scheduled for July 29, 2010, before the Fairfax County Planning Commission.

### Balloon Test

**Saturday, June 12, 8-11 am**

T-Mobile will be flying a balloon in the location where the proposed monopole will be placed, if approved. If June 12, 2010, is an inclement date, there will be no further notice, but the balloon will be flown on June 19, 2010, during the same time period. The purpose of the balloon is to give you an idea of the height and the location of the proposed structure.

Should you have any questions prior to the balloon test, feel free to call Bill O'Brien at 410-599-8912 or email [meatwobrien@smartlinkllc.com](mailto:meatwobrien@smartlinkllc.com).

### Community Meeting

**Wednesday, June 16, 7-9 pm**

Bush Hill Elementary School, Cafeteria

T-Mobile has also arranged a community meeting on to answer questions and receive input from the community regarding this proposal.

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## New Proposal Submitted for Mini-warehouse on Oakwood Road

The developer for Plan nomination 1RH (Land Unit E), the property below Gunnell Estates, has resubmitted a plan after the initial plan was rejected by the Lee District Land Use Task Force in April. The notification letter sent to residents living adjacent to the property is below. Note that the map shows both properties, but only 1RH is affected in this nomination. The new proposal is for a mini-warehouse.

>> [Letter to Residents for Plan Nomination 1RH](#)

A public hearing is scheduled to be held on June 16, at 7:30 pm, at the Fairfax County Governmental Center, 12000 Government Center Pkwy, Fairfax. The Board of Supervisors meeting is scheduled for July 27, at 4:30 pm.

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### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

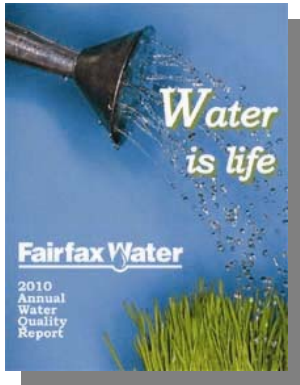
## Bank Robber Arrested in Rose Hill Parking Lot

Franconia Police District—Police apprehended a 29-year-old Alexandria area man in the parking lot of a bank the suspect had allegedly robbed just minutes earlier.

Makele G. Habtom, of 5217 Cannes Court, was found with the proceeds of the robbery on his person, arrested and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

A man entered the BB&T Bank, 5203 Franconia Road, just before 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 27. He approached a teller and demanded money, took it and fled. Upon hearing a description of the suspect, officers responded to the

area and found Habtom minutes later in the parking lot of the bank. There were no injuries and no weapon was located. (Fairfax County Police Department News Release: 10/148/-221/LHC(6), May 28, 2010)



## Annual Water Quality Report

[http://www.fcwa.org/water/ccr/2010\\_CCR.pdf](http://www.fcwa.org/water/ccr/2010_CCR.pdf)

Whether it's pouring rain or we're in a month-long draught, we're fortunate to always have drinkable water coming out of our faucets. Many places in the world aren't so privileged. Here are a few interesting facts from this year's *Annual Water Quality Report*. For the whole report, click on the link above.

- "...a Fairfax Water customer who buys a 20-ounce bottle of water for \$1.25 could fill that same 20-ounce bottle with our tap water every day for more than 10 years for that same \$1.25."
- "Fairfax Water draws surface water from two primary sources: the Potomac River and the Occoquan Reservoir, which is fed by the Occoquan River."
- "While we understand that Pharmaceuticals and Personal Care Products and Endocrine Disrupting Compounds in source and drinking water have been a recent issue of national interest, to date research has not demonstrated an impact on human health from these compounds at the trace levels discovered in drinking water."
- "...water can be stored in a closed container up to six months before needing to be replaced."
- "Is it okay to use water from the hot-water tap for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula? No. Hot water generally comes from a hot-water heater that may contain impurities that should not be ingested."
- "Peak Use Charges apply to summer water use exceeding the greater of 1.3 times the Winter Quarter Consumption or 6,000 gallons above the Winter Quarter Consumption. Only two of the four quarterly bills Fairfax Water customers receive each year are subject to Peak Use Charges - those based on meter readings taken in June through November."

>> For more information on Fairfax County Water, go to [www.fairfaxwater.org](http://www.fairfaxwater.org) and click on Water Quality or call 703-698-5600, TTY 711.

## Lee District Associations of Civic Organizations

[http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/lee/civic\\_organzations.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/lee/civic_organzations.htm)

The Lee District Association of Civic Organizations holds an informational meeting for all residents each month on a particular topic of interest. Supervisor McKay and his staff are usually there for a short question and answer period.

A notice is sent to each association representative with an agenda. BBHCA is currently not represented. If you are interested in representing the BBHCA, please contact Jeannie Henry at [president@bbhca.org](mailto:president@bbhca.org).

The meetings are also open to all who are interested

The meetings take place on the fourth Wednesday each month at 7:30 pm in the Helen Wilson Community Room at the Franconia Governmental Center (6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA 22310). The next meeting is June 23. Please call 703-971-6262 to confirm.



## EVENTS

## Lee District Night's Concert Series

Wednesdays, June through August, at 7:30 pm  
Lee District Park, behind the Recreation Center

To download the Program, go to

[http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/lee/pdf/files/2010\\_lee\\_district\\_nights\\_concert\\_series\\_schedule.pdf](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/lee/pdf/files/2010_lee_district_nights_concert_series_schedule.pdf)

### JUNE

- 2 The Fairfax Symphony  
Orchestra's Brass Quintet (Classic)
- 9 Still Surfin' (A Beach Boy Tribute Band)
- 16 Ruthie & the Wranglers (Roots/Rock)
- 23 Machaya (Klezmer)
- 30 Tom Paxton (Folk)

### JULY

- 7 The Annandale Brass Ensemble (Patriotic Music & Songs)
- 14 Holy Ghost Tent Revival (Indie Americana music)
- 21 King Teddy (Swing)
- 28 David Bach Consort (Jazz)

### AUG

- 4 Mama Jama (Reggae/Caribbean)
- 11 The Nighthawks (American Roots Music)
- 18 Bill Emerson & Sweet Dixie (Traditional Bluegrass)
- 25 Sock Monkeys (Rock&Roll/Cover Band)

## Celebrate Fairfax

<http://www.celebratefairfax.com/>

The 25-acre site is magically filled with fascinating sights and sounds as more than 400 exhibitors, food vendors, crafters and interactive activities are included in the annual celebration. Celebrate Fairfax! showcases live concerts on five stages, an interactive SciTech Center and ExxonMobil Children's Avenue, a petting zoo, karaoke contest, carnival rides, and great festival foods. Another fun activity for kids is the Inova Train Ride to Good Health. Nightly fireworks, presented by SAIC, are a highlight of the festival, and one of many great family programs. This year's Bud Light Main Stage features top national headline performers!



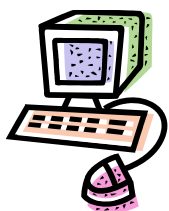
## Covering Shady Ground

Saturday, June 19, 9:30-11am

[www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org)

If you are looking for just the right plants to cover a barren patch of soil, control erosion on a hillside or create a new garden under a tree, now is the time to act. Learn how to use ground cover plants to pull your garden design together and solve a multitude of problems. Mary Frogale, horticulturalist at Green Spring, shares her favorite plants for shade. \$15. Call 703-642-5173 to register.

For other programs at Green Springs, click on the link above.



## LINKS TO KEEP

### Habitat for Humanity—Restore

<http://www.restorenova.org/>

ReStore is a resale business that sells new and used building materials and home improvement

items to the general public. All materials are donated by local retail businesses, building contractors, suppliers and individuals, and are made available for sale to the public at 50% to 90% below retail prices. If you have leftover building materials, they will pick them up.

The ReStore also relies on the support of volunteers from the community to be a valuable resource for our customers. As new donations are coming in every day, volunteers accept donations; assess the usability of donations; clean, assemble, repair and price donations prior to stocking; stock donations on the sales floor; and keep the store inventory organized and clean. For more information, go to <http://www.restorenova.org/volunteering>.

Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia will be sponsoring a booth at the Celebrate Fairfax Festival on June 12–13.

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