

BBHCA Financial Review and Budget Analysis

http://www.bbhca.org/whats_new.htm



The BBHCA 2006-07 Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee warned that if budget concerns are not addressed, the BBHCA will be bankrupt in approximately six years. Read the full report by clicking on the link above or going to the BBHCA Web site and selecting the "What's New" tab at the top of any page.

A new committee has just been formed to review the 2007-08 finances and the BBHCA treasurer, Kevin Henry, will present its report and recommendations at the May meeting according to the bylaws.

Under consideration as means for balancing the budget are (1) further reducing or eliminating the printed newsletter and (2) raising dues. An unofficial show of hands by members at the March meeting indicated support for raising dues for the 2008-09 membership year.

A *preliminary* 2008-09 budget will also be presented to the membership for a vote at the May meeting. The 2008-09 budget will be presented at the September 2008 meeting for a vote by the membership.

LEE DISTRICT TOWN MEETING**Fairfax County FY 2009 Budget**

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/budget

Wednesday, March 26, at 7:30 pm

Lee District Association of Civic Organizations
Franconia Governmental Center
6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria
703-971-6262, TTY 711

See how the County is spending your tax dollars. A series of town meetings will be held throughout the county on Fairfax County Executive Anthony H. Griffin's Fiscal Year 2009 proposed budget. These meetings will give residents the opportunity to ask questions and discuss specific concerns. Representatives from the Department of Management and Budget will be present at each meeting.

Fairfax County Executive Anthony H. Griffin presented his proposed fiscal plan for FY 2009 to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on Feb. 25 during the regularly scheduled board meeting. The proposed FY 2009 budget is also available at the above link along with additional information on the budget timeline, public hearings, and "The Citizen's Guide to the Budget." Information on the real estate assessments and the Fairfax County Public Schools budget also can be accessed at that site.

In addition, the county executive's presentation will be available as video-on-demand on the county's Web site at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/cable throughout the month of March.

Home Improvement Scams

On Monday, March 10 at 1:30 pm, officers responded for a report of a suspicious event in the 5300 block of William and Mary Drive in Alexandria. They learned that several laborers had entered into a contract with the homeowner, a 74-year-old Alexandria-area man, to perform work on the house. The employees were allegedly soliciting without a license and never completed the work.

Matthew W. Fincham, 22, of no fixed address has been charged with no solicitor's license and larceny by false pretense. He is currently being held at Fauquier County Jail on unrelated charges. The investigation continues and additional charges are expected.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS(8477), e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text "TIP187" plus your message to CRIMES(274637) or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

Planning the Future of Our Parks



If you missed the **Lee District Park Planning Workshop**, you can still provide your input at the following Web site:

parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov/Survey/TakeSurvey.asp?SurveyID=m41573K0974MM

>> For a map (PDF) of the Rose Hill planning district (includes Lee District), go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/Downloads/XCR_RoseHill.pdf

Zoning 101: Code Enforcement Strike Team

An E-mail to Jeff McKay, Lee District Supervisor:



"I am very pleased to note your continued efforts, Jeff, following Dana's lead, to make the county's Code Enforcement Strike Team program a vital issue with your administration as Lee District Supervisor.

I am the next door neighbor to the former "boarding house" at 5910 Jane Way with approximately 10 unrelated borders renting to owner Marco Rocabado. Since his second court hearing several months ago and subsequent Strike Team follow-up enforcement, the number of vehicles parked in the driveway and on the street have been reduced to approximately three, including Marco's sedan. The neighbors and I are very pleased. About a month ago, a five-car Strike Team (including three police cruisers and two civilian cars) was present at Rocabado's home at 9:30 pm and spent over an hour investigating inside the residence.

Today I spoke to Marcus Wadsworth, who formerly was your point man on these code violation issues, and he referred me to your assistant, Christina Manning, who, he said, was covering them now. He also stated that since there is probably an on-going investigation of that residence, current information regarding the former boarding house may be privileged and not releasable, which is understandable. I have left a call for Christina to hear from her should she know any information that may be shared.

Jeff, I believe Dana had the idea of Strike Teams being assigned to specific Districts for continuity of ongoing investigations and maintenance of a knowledge base. This appears to be an excellent idea, budget dollars permitting, and hopefully it will be realized in forthcoming allocations. In any case, you are right on target to make county Strike Teams a priority issue, and I will inform the Brookland-Bush Hill Civic Association (BBHCA) Board and members of that fact at tonight's meeting at Bush Hill Elementary School. Your comments noted at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/lee/budget09.htm were excellent.

Please continue to maintain investigation and enforcement of code violations a priority. It is vital to the fundamentals of maintaining our neighborhoods throughout the county as excellent places to live and raise our children. Thank you."

Dick Frederick
BBHCA Vice President—Membership

>> **To contact our elected representatives** on this and other issues that affect our neighborhood and surrounding community, go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/lee/elected_officials.htm.

Annual Civil War Bus Tour Taking Reservations

28th Annual Spring Civil War Bus Tour
June 21, 2008

Sponsored by the [Stuart-Mosby Historical Society](http://www.stuart-mosby.com)

Tour leaders will be Don Hakenson and Gregg Dudding. We will be leaving the Truro Rectory at 8:30 am and will be visiting Fairfax Station, the Rose Hill Site, the Broders Cemetery, Mount Air, and more. The tour will also be featuring [Thomas Evans](http://www.thomas-evans.com).

To sign up for the tour call Don Hakenson at 703-971-4984, e-mail him at



dhakenson@cox.net, or contact Gregg Dudding at wdudding@cox.net. The cost of the tour is \$40 if you are a member of the Stuart-Mosby Historical Society and \$50 if a non-member. Send a check and write to Don Hakenson (make the check payable to Don Hakenson) 4708 Lillian Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22310. Sign up early because the bus sells out fast! *There will be no refunds after June 14.*

Reinventing Your Neighborhood: Creating Supportive Communities for All Ages

www.bbhca.org/PDFs/Reinventing_PressRelease_2008.pdf

Saturday, April 12

8 am – 1 pm

Fairfax Governmental Center



This free event will explore seven different **neighborhood-based service organizations** developed by and for people 50+, including the pioneering Beacon Hill Village in Boston. Speakers will describe their organizations' development, operation, and services.

The program aligns with the Board of Supervisors' *Fairfax 50+ Action Plan*, adopted in October 2007. The plan is dedicated to building "a more aging friendly community." It can be viewed at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults.

The forum is free, but *reservations are required*. Register one of three ways: Call 703-324-7746 (TTY 703-449-1186), E-mail April12@fairfaxcounty.gov (with your name, address, phone and e-mail) or Online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/aaa/onlreg/reinvent.htm.

>> *The Washington Post* article (Ms Word), "[Seniors Reach Beyond Family Ties](#)"

>> Event flyer (PDF), go to www.bbhca.org/PDFs/Reinventing_Your_Neighborhood_2008.pdf

Free Seminars for Caregivers of Older Adults

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/aaa/caregiver/cgsemspring.htm

The Organized Caregiver

Kingstowne Center for Active Adults

Wednesday, April 2, 2008

7-9 pm

Mom Needs to Move—But Where?

Herndon Senior Center

Tuesday, April 8, 2008

7-9 pm

Navigating the Legal and Medicaid Maze of Long-Term Care

Centreville Regional Library

Wednesday, April 16, 2008

7-9 pm

Home Safety/Fall Prevention/Brain Injury

Little River Glen Senior Center

Wednesday, April 23, 2008

7-9 pm

Navigating the Legal and Medicaid Maze of Long-Term Care

12011 Government Center

Thursday, April, 24, 2008

1-3 pm

Stages of Alzheimer's Disease: What to Expect

Alzheimer's Family Day Center

Wednesday, April 30, 2008

7-9 pm

>> For details and additional seminars, click on the link above, call 703-324-7948, or click on the following link for a flyer (PDF) <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/aaa/pdf/cgsemspring2008.pdf>

Fairfax County Opens Kingstowne Center for Active Adults In Lee District

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rec/Senior_Ctr/Kingstowne.htm

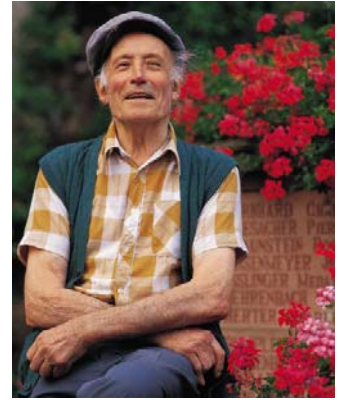
**6488 Landsdowne Center, Alexandria, VA 22315
703-550-0134**

The Kingstowne Center serves Fairfax County residents ages 55 years or older. The center is a place for people to have fun, meet new friends, and expand their horizons by discovering new ways to work, new things to do, and new goals to pursue.

Participants will have the opportunity to choose from health and wellness and fitness programs, financial planning, and wellness discussion, healthy cooking classes, arts and crafts classes, Tai Chi, yoga, dancing to computer internet access, trips and tours, and opportunities to socialize and stay connected to your community.

Admission is free. Lunch is available with a suggested donation between \$1 and \$5 based on age and income. Reservations must be made in advance. Transportation may be available by Fastran bus at a nominal charge.

Kingstowne Center for Active Adults is one of 16 programs for senior adults operated by the Dept. of Community and Recreation. *Membership is free.* For a list of all programs and monthly activity schedules, visit the County website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rec and click on Senior Services or call 703-324-5544, TTY 711.



Links To Keep

Lee District Supervisor Jeff McKay's Office Staff

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/lee/staff.htm

8 am-5 pm, Monday-Friday

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Fairfax Area Agency on Aging

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/aaa/>

The Fairfax Area Agency on Aging (AAA) serves older adults, caregivers, and people with disabilities in Fairfax County and cities of Fairfax and Falls Church. The goal of the AAA is to improve quality of life and promote independent the living for older adults. The AAA serves as a focal point for aging advocacy and leadership. It plans, coordinates, and funds many services provided for older adults.

Fairfax County Parks

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks>

Fairfax County Web Site with the Calendar of Events and other park information.

Energy Conservation Tips for Transportation

<http://www.nwf.org/energy/transportation.cfm>

Find out how your driving style and car maintenance affects global warming—and get tips for winter or summer.

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