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Next Meeting of the  
**CHERRYDALE  
CITIZENS  
ASSOCIATION**

**Wednesday, November 15  
7:30 pm  
St. Agnes Parish House**

Agenda:

7:30 - 7:45  
CCA Officer Elections

7:45 - 8:00  
New High School Info.

8:00 - 8:15  
Pedestrian Safety & Parks

8:15 - 8:45  
Setting Next Year's Agenda  
& New Business

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## Help the Cherrydale Citizens Association Work for You

The Cherrydale Citizens Association is working for you, and we want to hear from you. The CCA plays a major role in getting the County to build new sidewalks and streetlights, update parks, and build new playground equipment in our neighborhood. The CCA is also the primary point of contact with the County and the State on pedestrian safety and transportation improvement projects large and small, as well as redevelopment affecting Cherrydale and the surrounding area. And the CCA is a major voice in the debate about school construction and school boundaries.

We also work with Cherrydale residents and businesses to organize a lot of social events, like the Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner in March, Cherrydale Yard Sales in June, the Cherrydale July Fourth Barbeque, Potluck and Firework Party, and the Cherrydale Parade. These events come together because of volunteers like you.

All of this only happens because of your input and your vote at our meetings. Cherrydale residents vote at our meetings to decide which streets will get new sidewalks and streetlights, and vote on park renovations and new playground equipment. We also base our feedback to the County and State on pedestrian safety and transportation projects based on what you tell us at our meetings.

Our November meeting is when we vote in new CCA officers. We are looking for a new Treasurer. Thank you, Katherine Christensen, for your service. This is a great opportunity to get involved at the most local level and really make an impact that you and your neighbors will feel for years to come. But it's also an opportunity to make your voice heard, to share your vision for the future of Cherrydale, and to help set our agenda. Please join us at our next meeting on Wednesday, November 15, 7:30pm, in the St. Agnes parish house.

## VDOT to Mitigate Visual Impact of New Toll Sign on Lee Highway

Thanks to the hard work of the Cherrydale Citizens Association and Cherrydalers like you, VDOT has agreed to take a number of steps to help mitigate the visual impact of the new HOV Toll Sign on Lee Highway near Kenmore Street. Although VDOT declined our request to reduce the size of the sign to bring it more in line with other toll signs on Spout Run, Glebe Road, and Fairfax Drive, VDOT did agree to paint our sign pole and the back of sign matte black to help it blend in. VDOT also agreed to plant a substantial number of trees and shrubs to help hide the sign pole, utility box, and other VDOT equipment. We should see improvements soon.



## APS Building New High School at Ed Center Site on Quincy Street

In June 2017, Arlington Public Schools approved a plan to build a new high school on the site on the Ed Center on Quincy Street, just across I-66 from Cherrydale. The plan calls for the building to hold 500-600 students and to be open in time for the 2022-23 school year. Rather than build an addition to Washington-Lee and serve students who currently live in the W-L district, APS currently envisions developing a “program” that is available to students County-wide. Like the H-B Woodlawn program, students at the new high school will pursue sports and other extra-curricular activities at their neighborhood high school. APS is considering a STEM/STEAM, Creative and Performing Arts, or “Early College” program high school. APS is also considering expanding the W-L International Baccalaureate program.

Given the size and County-wide nature of the new program high school, it will have substantial impacts on Cherrydale residents, students, and parents. Faculty and staff for the new school will be driving and parking on Quincy Street, Stafford Street, and 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Students coming from farther away will increase bus traffic, and some students will also likely drive. The plan calls for students at the new program high school to use W-L amenities like the pool, and APS has asked the County if it can use the field at Oak Grove Park in Cherrydale to accommodate increased demand for field space.


APS’s online survey closed November 1. But you can still provide comments by emailing the APS School Board at [school.board@apsva.us](mailto:school.board@apsva.us) and County Board Member Libby Garvey at [lgarvey@arlingtonva.us](mailto:lgarvey@arlingtonva.us). You can also comment in person on Monday evenings at the School Board’s “open office hours,” or send comments to the Cherrydale Citizens Association.

## APS Changing Middle School Boundaries for 2019-20 School Year

Arlington Public Schools is changing middle school boundaries to incorporate the opening of the new Stratford Middle School under construction in Cherrydale. The resulting boundary changes will impact the boundaries of all six middle schools. Construction on Stratford Middle School is expected to be complete in time for the 2019-20 school year. The H-B Woodlawn program currently operating there will be moving to its new building on Wilson Boulevard in Rosslyn. Join us at our next CCA meeting to find out how you can participate in the boundaries debate.

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## Pedestrian Safety and Transportation Improvements in Cherrydale

If you look around Cherrydale, you'll notice a lot of pedestrian safety and transportation improvement projects going on. And more are coming.

After a slow start, the County's Five Points project is moving quickly and is now expected to be completed ahead of schedule. The County is redesigning the entire intersection to widen sidewalks, increase the number of cross walks, improve traffic flow, and expand bike lanes. The new intersection will expand the left turn lane on westbound Lee Highway to help improve traffic flow onto Old Lee Highway and Quincy Street. It will also eliminate left turns from Old Lee Highway onto Lee Highway or Military. It will eliminate the slip lane from Military Road onto Lee Highway. And it will expand bike lanes through some parts of the intersection.

Coming soon on Old Dominion Drive right after Five Points, the County will finally be building a new sidewalk on the south side of the road and adding a new traffic signal for the new driveway entrance into the new Stratford Middle School. The sidewalk will extend all the way from the County firehouse to Lorcam Lane, and there will be new crosswalks at the new Stratford Middle School driveway entrance. This sidewalk will help link Cherrydale to Lee Heights.

Quincy Street is getting two crosswalk improvements. At Quincy & 15<sup>th</sup> Street, the County has installed a mid-street buffer, and will soon install new signs with red flashing lights to signal cars when a pedestrian is waiting to cross. At Quincy & 18<sup>th</sup> Street, the County is going to restore the crosswalk that was there before the repaving and add an ADA sidewalk ramp on the west side of the street.

On Lee Highway & Kenmore Street, VDOT is installing new signs with red flashing lights to signal cars when pedestrians are waiting to cross, and is installing new ADA sidewalk ramps and maybe even expanding the mid-street waiting area.

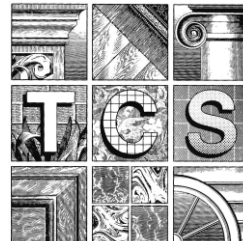
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## Oak Grove Park Playground Is Nearing Completion

After years of delay, the new Oak Grove Park Playground is finally nearing completion! The new playground will have separate 2- to 5-year-old and 5- to 12-year-old play areas, and new seating and a shelter. Both play areas will be oak-tree themed. The 5- to 12-year-old play area will also have a rope climbing structure. Your kids will love it.

We want to thank Cherrydaler Debby Cook for her tireless work in trying to keep the County moving forward and for watching over the new trees the County planted. Debby's work is a testament to what any Cherrydaler can get done as long as they persist. We can't wait to visit the new playground!

## You Better Watch Out! Santa Claus is Coming to the Cherrydale Volunteer Fire Department

Mark your calendars for a special visit by Santa Claus to the Cherrydale Volunteer Fire Department, 3900 Lee Highway, on Sunday, December 17, from 1-3pm. Santa and his elves may be checking their lists twice, but will be giving away toys to kids regardless of whether they've been naughty or nice.

Cherrydale's Scott Springston will be reprising his role, and the CVFD volunteers will be assisting, but they need your help. Please contact Jim Todd, at [president@cherrydale.net](mailto:president@cherrydale.net) if you'd like to help.

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Thank you, Scott, Kathy & Dakota Springston for organizing another terrific Parade. The Cherrydale Parade is another one of the social events that makes Cherrydale the best small town that is right next to a big city.

Cherrydalers big and small marched around Cherrydale on a beautiful late-September Saturday morning, led by the Washington-Lee High School Band and followed by the Cherrydale Volunteer Fire Department. Paraders walked, rode on bikes, or rode in strollers, wagons, and classic cars. The parade ended in front of the Springston house with a cherry pie eating contest! Thanks to everyone who joined in this year, either in the parade as a spectator. If you missed it, you've got something to look forward to next year.



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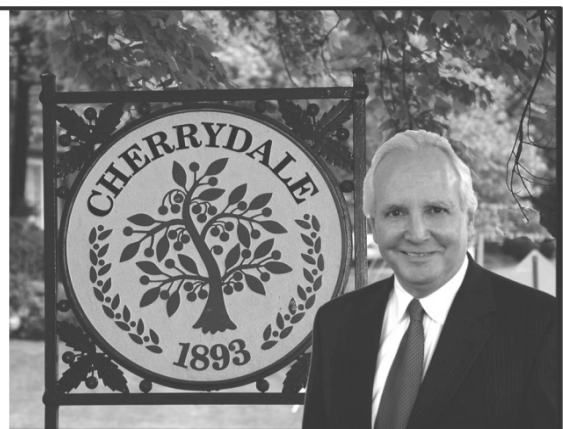
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Tues. & Wed.: 1:00pm - 9:00pm Sun.: CLOSED



### Preschool Storytime Programs:

**“Under Two Storytime” (0-23 months)** - Mondays, 10:30 am. No registration required.

**“Stop-in for Stories” (0-5 years)** –Tuesdays in November, 4:30 pm; Mondays in December, 4:15pm; Thursdays, 10:30. No storytime last week of December. No registration required.

**“K-5 Kids Club”** - First Thursday of the month, 4:00pm. Kids will explore arts, books, crafts and building through a different fun activity. Parents/caregivers and younger siblings are asked to wait downstairs. No registration required.

**“Paws to Read”** - First Saturday of the month, 3:00-4:00pm. For emerging readers & kids who love dogs! K-5 students. Specially trained dogs will be available for 15-minute reading sessions. Register at [CherrydaleLibrary.org](http://CherrydaleLibrary.org).

**Tech Help** - Some Thursdays each month. Having difficulty with a computer program or just need some help figuring out how to do something on the computer? Sign up for a 30-min. one-on-one tutoring session. Register at [CherrydaleLibrary.org](http://CherrydaleLibrary.org).

**Knitting Club** - Wednesdays, 7:30pm. For adults, teens, and older kids with a parent. All levels welcome. Register at [CherrydaleLibrary.org](http://CherrydaleLibrary.org).

**“Get Crafty”** - Third Wednesday of the month, 1:30pm. Adults 18+ only. Don’t just recycle, upcycle! Cards 101, Nov. 15; 3-D Snowflakes, Dec. 6; Cards that Light Up, Dec. 13. Register at [CherrydaleLibrary.org](http://CherrydaleLibrary.org).

### Book Discussion Groups for Adults:

**“Chasing Pages”** – Last Wednesday of November, 2:00pm. No December meeting. Meet on the library balcony. For more information, visit [CherrydaleLibrary.org](http://CherrydaleLibrary.org), or call Ruth at the library at 703-228-6330.

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