# Cherrydale Branch Library Happenings 2190 N. Military Road; 703-228-6330

Citizens for Cherrydale Library Website: www.CherrydaleLibrary.org

Hours:

Monday: 10:00am - 9:00 pm.
Tuesday: Closed.
Wednesday: 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm.
Thursday: 10:00 am - 6 pm.
Friday & Saturday: 10:00 am - 5 pm.
Sunday: Closed.

Starting July 1, each branch library will regain three hours of service a week. For details and future news on our library's new schedule, see the Citizens for Cherrydale Library Web Site:

#### **Photo Exhibit**

"Africa Through a Child's Eyes": Photo-

graphs of the wildlife of South Africa and Botswana by Vikram, an unusually talented student at an Arlington elementary school. Through July 1. Spring Kids' Storytimes

The Library encourages full and active participation of the accompanying adults.

"Stop in for Stories": Wednesdays at 4:00 pm, through May 25. For children of all ages and an accompanying adult. This fun and interactive program combines activities such as read-aloud stories, songs, rhymes, fingerplays, and flannel boards and introduces children to listening skills, picture books, the library, and the joy of reading. No Registration Required.

"2 & Under": Thursdays at 10:30 am, through May 26. For children ages two and under and an accompanying adult. Singing, dancing, clapping to nursery rhymes and simple stories will introduce young children to the joys of language and literature. No Registration Required.

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Summer Kids' Programs

The five-week storytime schedule will begin the week of July 11. The days and times have yet to be determined.

Summer "Get Caught Reading" Program and Special Events: Contact the library or check on-line for details in late May. Registration for "Get Caught Reading" will start on June 15. As in the past, there will be reading programs for preschoolers, elementary-age kids, and middle/high school kids. For elementary kids and preschoolers the first day to pick up prizes will be July 1. The last day to sign up is August 31, and the last day to pick up prizes is September 10.

Cherrydale branch will have three special events programs for elementary-age kids: The first will be on Saturday, July 9 to coincide with Cherrydale Branch's 50th anniversary celebration. There will be two more programs on Mondays July 11 and 25.

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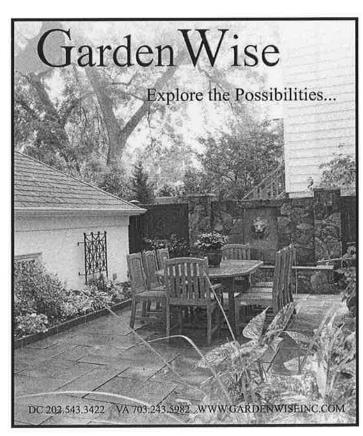
**Book Discussions for Adults** 

Call 703-228-6330 to sign up for a discussion or to reserve a copy, usually available a month in advance at the Cherrydale Library desk.

Monday, June 13 (7:30 pm): Crossing to Safety, by Wallace Stegner, author of the Pulitzer Prize winning Angle of Repose. Amazon reader rating: 4-1/2 stars (out of 5), 341 pp. "Called a 'magnificently crafted story . . . brimming with wisdom' in The Washington Post Book World, Crossing to Safety has, since its publication in 1987, established itself as one of the greatest and most cherished American novels of the twentieth century. Tracing the lives, loves, and aspirations of two couples who move between Vermont and Wisconsin, it is a work of quiet majesty, deep compassion, and powerful insight into the alchemy of friendship and marriage." --Inside flap. "A superb book."—NYTimes.

Monday, July 11 (7:30 pm): The Lost City of Z: A Tale of Deadly Obsession in the Amazon, Nonfiction, National Bestseller, by David Grann. Published 2009. . . . Amazon reader rating: 4 stars (out of 5). . . 320 pp. of text.

"Starred Review. In 1925, renowned British explorer Col. Percy Harrison Fawcett embarked on a much publicized search to find the city of Z, site of an ancient Amazonian civilization that may or may not have existed. Fawcett, along with his grown son Jack, never returned, but that didn't stop countless others, including actors, college professors and well-funded explorers from venturing into the jungle to find Fawcett or the city. Among the wannabe explorers is Grann [the author], a staff writer for the New Yorker... By interweaving the great story



# Cherrydale Branch Library at 50--Come Celebrate on Saturday, July 9

Contributed by Gregg Embree

"It's the most beautiful library in America!" So spoke Maxine Lampshire--a journalist for the Northern Virginia Sun and the wife of former Cherrydale Citizens Association President Harvey

Lampshire. She made this pronouncement 50 years ago, when Cherrydale Branch Library first opened at its current location on Military Road. The building was the first purpose-built library in Arlington County, providing an elegant new home for a beloved neighborhood institution that has existed since 1922.

Join us on Saturday, July 9, to celebrate Cherrydale Library's 50th anniversary at its present location. The festivities start at 11 am. Historian Kathy Springston and others will reminisce about Cherrydale Library and the people who made it happen. Come to eat free cake, view a children's art exhibit about Cherrydale Library, listen to dozens of the greatest hits of 1961, sign the giant birthday card, perhaps buy a Cherrydale Library tee shirt, and stroll through an exhibit of photographs of Cherrydale Library taken during its groundbreak-



ing ceremony, construction, and first year of operation. At 2 pm, the summer "Get Caught Reading" program\* for kids kicks off to continue the celebration. By the end of the festivities, you will agree that our branch library remains "the most beautiful library in America."

\*The required tickets for "Get Caught Reading" will be available for free in advance. Details about the program will appear on the Citizens for Cherrydale Library web site (http://www.CherrydaleLibrary.org) as they become available.









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# **Update on Cherrydale Neighborhood Conservation Projects**

Contributed by Harry Spector

**20th St**: A block meeting was held on March 9 to review county plans. Owners gave lots of feedback which is below in the gray block. County responses (made via email about a week after the meeting)

Bottom line: Major issues were parking restricted to s. side only because street narrows with new sidewalk, 6ft county mandated sidewalks, grass planting strip, loss of certain pine and one oak tree. County reexamined plan and was able to restore a few parking spaces on n. side, remove a planting strip to save the pine trees. The oak tree will be lost because it's too close to where a wheelchair ramp must be placed. And of course county is adamant about 6ft sidewalk except where not possible to install. The county engineers did a fantastic job on a very tricky street.

At the end of the meeting the block was split on whether to go forward. A project needs 60% approval based on linear footage ownership. As a result no vote was taken to allow the county to examine owner's complaints and modify plans where possible. Sena also offered to walk the street with owners, as a group, at a convenient time during daylight to give them a more concrete understanding of what would be affected. That should take place sometime in next month or early May.

Jim believes he can pull over enough current "no" votes to keep the project alive. The county has made changes, especially saving the pine trees, that should help him in that endeavor. However, I told Jim, that to be fair to the Cherrydale neighborhood at-large, the block must come to a decision by May 17, which is the day before the May CCA meeting, unless the block is waiting for new information from the county. If the block decides not to go forward with the project, then a call for NC project proposals should be made at the May meeting and then in the July newsletter. Voting would take place at the Sept. meeting. This would be the first time the new NC project proposal rules. Cherrydale Park Micro Project: Patricia Petty (neighbor that proposed the project) and I met w/ Kevin Stalica from Parks at the park last Friday. We discussed possible enhancements given the budget and small space available. Kevin offered a lot of great possibilities. This weekend Patricia is touring some of Arlington's newest playscapes to see the suggested equipment first hand and then will consult w/ other neighborhood moms and Kevin about exact equipment to request and then forward to me to include on the Micro Project application.

Initially | planned to submit the application for the fall funding round, however, the spring round deadline was pushed to April 1 so | will submit then assuming the equipment to be requested is settled.



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# **Street Width Rules and Loss of Parking**

Contributed by Maureen Ross

Last January H.K. Park, Lyon Village President, wrote the other citizen association presidents that he "recently learned the County has started to force residents to park on only one side of the street in places where they determine that the street is too narrow for garbage trucks or fire trucks to fully open their doors and easily operate their equipment." This action was taken based on the complaint of a single private trash collector.

H.K. notes "Certain County streets have been "too narrow" for decades, but the County has only recently determined that this is a "problem" that needs to be fixed. For example, in Lyon Park, which borders my neighborhood (Lyon Village), the County gave residents of one street only 2-3 weeks notice to begin parking on one side of the street only. There was no discussion with the residents or consideration of homes that might need parking on their side of the street (e.g. elderly residents or children)

As HK notes, Lyon Park was faced with a parking issue that has ramifications for other streets in our neighborhood and throughout the County. As I write this, the residents on the street with the parking issue are working out, what hopefully will be, a manageable solution with the County. They just sent a proposal to LPCA to put forward to the County.

Nataly Roy, another Lyon Park resident attended county meetings which resulted from the uproar. She stated in an email: "One concern is that there might be other streets across the County where residents might contemplate widening their streets, when faced with the same issues our residents were presented with, thinking this is one of the only viable options. If we wanted wider streets we would live in Fairfax. I for one would like the County to explore purchasing fire trucks/equipment etc. that can accommodate narrower roads. Might possibly be cheaper in the long run.

Ms Roy commented, "I also want to note that the County staff we met with were terrific and were very eager to meet with us and work something out. Yes HK is right there was an initial tight time table given over the holidays, when staff first told residents about the parking changes they wanted put in place. But once we asked for a delay and more discussion they were very responsive."

The county in apparently enforcing the 2006 street width policy. Many streets in old neighborhoods such as Cherrydale's could be affected. Go out and measure the width of your street. If it is less than 28 feet wide, you are at risk to lose parking on one side. Pls contact Jerry Auten of the Transportation Committee 703-536-5365 the more input he has, the better Stayed tuned for more information.



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# **Business Corner Update**

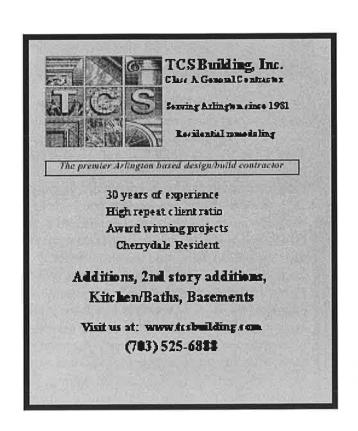
Contributed by Maureen Ross

Cherrydale officially welcomed the new Safeway manager Heidi Hoelting with a letter of greeting April 2nd. You may already have seen her welcoming customers. Heidi is interested in our feedback. Think about sending her yours soon.

Our volunteer Cherrydale Business liaison Laurel Gowen also sent her a welcome and invited Safeway to become a stronger member of our community. As you know, Safeway has waxed and waned over the years. We are looking forward to fresh veggies, more variety in breads, and better stocking on Mondays. There has been graffiti on Safeway's back wall for YEARS which we've pointed out a number of times, and litter stuck in the bushes along the walls. The trees along the Lee Hwy sidewalk have not done well. Volunteers have been out there 3 years in a row, mulching and even watering during the hot summer.

With new leadership we are hopeful Safeway adopts the sidewalk trees like a number of other Cherrydale businesses such as Cherrydale Hardware, Cherrydale Station, and Adam and Fiona McClure of Northside Veterinary Clinic. In addition, keeping the sidewalks clear during snow needs to be a priority.

So here's to an even better Safeway, and lovelier corner along Lee Hwy. Welcome Ms. Hoelting! Long live Safeway!



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# **Update on Variance Request** for 1701 N Nelson St.

Contributed by Maureen Ross

On his first request for variance, CCA voted down Eric Simpson's proposal as too big. He came back in March with an attractive proposal, having removed the 2-story 2-car garage. This time there were only 51% no and 49 abstentions. Though there were strong words from a few neighbors, there was also encouragement from others. It was pointed out that with a variance, the CCA had some right of review but if the house is built "by-right" we had none.

Mr. Simpson eventually decided against requesting a variance. The property will be built by-right. Only time will tell if neighbors can be happy with what is built. Time line for construction is not known at this moment. But walk by the corner (end of of N Nelson and 17th) to see the before. Then judge the "after" next year. Let's hope it's beautiful!



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# **BACK-UP 101 AVOIDING COMPUTER CRASH DISASTERS**

Contributed by Harry Spector

A distressful post on the Cherrydale list serve one morning: a neighbor's hard drive quit and a recovery service estimated it would cost hundreds to even try to rescue her files, and with no guarantee. Everything on the drive could be lost...for eternity.

These too common stories are heartbreaking to learn of, but a real gut punch when it actually happens to you. I write from personal experience. Fortunately for me (glass half full) I learned early enough in my computing life and at a time when pictures were still taken with film, video was captured on tape, and address books were physical things. Fortunately for all of us basic backup strategies are inexpensive and not too difficult to implement and certainly easier and cheaper than trying to recover priceless records and memories. It is boring, I admit, at least until you need that backup, and then it's better than Game 7 World Series box seats.

Tales of woe on the list serve are not good morning reading so here is a basic quick and dirty primer on how to back up so you never have to write that list serve post, and we don't have to read it.

Step 1: Buy an external hard drive. These come in "portable" (2.5" laptop drive) and desk (3.5" desktop drive) varieties. The 3.5" drives are the least expensive and also serve best as a backup drive. Get one that is at least as big as the internal hard drive on your computer. You may also need to buy a USB cable, so check the package for included items.

Your best deals are going to be online. Newegg is one of my favorite places for hard drives. They routinely have the lowest prices and often have free three day shipping too. The downside is that returns are a pain. If you want to buy local check out Microcenter at the corner of Nutley St and Lee Hwy in Vienna. They also usually have decent monthly deals. A basic USB 2.0 1TB external drive is under \$99 now. Don't pay more. Also you may want to look for one that doesn't have a fan to keep the noise down.

(continued next page...Backup)

# Tuckahoe Elementary School's 11th Annual Home & Garden Tour! Saturday, May 21st from 12:00- 5:00

Mark your calendars, grab a friend, tell your neighbors and get ready to tour some wonderful renovations in your neighborhood! The tour will take you through (6) recently renovated homes, one (1) newly built home and (3) beautifully landscaped gardens! You'll have the opportunity to gather ideas for your own future renovations and meet many local talented builders, contractors, architects and designers!

All of the houses are in Arlington but not limited to the Tuckahoe district, we have homes in the Nottingham, Glebe, Long Branch and Barett boundries too! This annual fundraising event supports Tuckahoe Elementarys award-winning Discovery Schoolyard, a unique and valued Arlington treasure.

Tickets are on sale now for \$20 and include a free raffle ticket for a special item to be pulled later that night! Visit the website at www.tuckahoetour.org to read more about the tour and download your form there. You can also purchase tickets the day of the tour for \$25.00. Send payment to Tuckahoe PTA, c/o Home & Garden, address is on the flyer. See you on the

If you have any additional questions, contact kfallon.design@yahoo.com

# Use Permit Up for Renewal for Koons Tire Shop

The use permit for the Kline Imports tire shop at 4060 Lee Hwy (Koons) is up for 1-year review at the May 14 County Board. Cherrydale asked neighbors for feed back and as a result County planner Matthew Pfeiffer noted on inspection one tree in deteriorated condition, so the staff recommended a 1year renewal with a short administrative review to make sure they have replaced the subject tree. But then our Koons Liason volunteer Roger Merletti noted a few other faults. And Pat Donnelly, another neighbor, complained of an increase in Koons employees parking on the residential streets. We coordinated our observations along with other Cherrydaleans and sent our feedback.

Koons has a landscape maintenance agreement with their new landscape plan which is part of Condition #12, which required them to maintain the plantings for the life of the use permit. This was a violation, hence the shortened recommended review period. They've agreed to replace the tree prior to the May CB meeting. The applicant was informed that he needs to get the site into conformance with the plan on file and screen all dumpsters. He has agreed to look into the issue and correct whatever discrepancies there are. Staff will recommend an administrative review in one month, for June, and if the issues are not corrected by then we can take this back to the County Board.

# (Backup 101 from prior page)

Step 2: Install backup software or use your OSes built-in service. This is a little confusing because there are so many backup methods. For example you can choose to back up files once only or you can incrementally copy entire hard drive as changes occur. Most external drives come with backup software as part of the package that will give you several backup options so do your homework if you are going to use it.

Windows 7 and Mac OS X 10.5 to 10.7 also have iterations of backup functions in the "Backup and Restore Center," and "Time Machine," respectively. If you want do to the least amount of configuring just use this method as they are as "auto pilot" as backup gets. In fact the first time you plug an external drive into a Mac with Time Machine the computer will ask if you want to set it up as a Time Machine drive and then guide you along. Be warned that a data transfer of a large hard drive can take up to a day so best to start this project just before you go to bed.

Step 3: Once you have your backup drive set up, i.e., the initial data transfer is complete you can breathe a little easier. But you aren't in the clear yet because your data is still vulnerable. If you were robbed, or your home burned down, or a powerful storm created a giant device-killing surge (surge protectors do fail, especially old ones) it would be tantamount to having no backup at all.

That is why any cohesive backup plan must include a backup stored outside of the home. In 2011 that means the oft bandied "cloud, " a term synonymous online storage and syncing. There are both free and pay versions.

The most recent player in this space is Amazon with its "Amazon Cloud Drive." It offers 5GB of free storage to anyone who signs up. Not a whole lot, but enough to store small document files (Word, Excel, etc.). You can buy more space as needed. Other similar services are SugarSync MemoPal, iDrive, and Apple's MobileMe (currently pay-only but rumored to have a free service soon).

These are all great for backing up your most important documents and photos. You have to pick and choose careful. But if you don't want to think about it and just want to back up your entire drive there are services like Mozy, Carbonite, and Jungle Disk that save your entire drive, regardless of size for one annual fee. All of these services have slightly different features and plans so you'll need to do a little research to decide on what is best for your situation. :

Postscript: hard drives never die, until they do, and they will, and usually at the worst possible time, though there is never a great time. But it need not be a catastrophic event when it happens. Hard drives and cloud storage are inexpensive enough and configuring basic backups simple enough that, if you are prepared, a single failure will not even be worth a wince. So no excuses start backing up today lest you become the next Cherrydaler to fret over vanished data on the list serve.

# **County Creating New Sign Regulations- Your Input Needed!**

Contributed by Maureen Ross

Why should you care? Because our public rights of ways, such as Lee Hwy and Quincy St medians are routinely littered with illegal ads. Sometimes our sidewalks are too. Businesses are getting free ad space while we put up with a less attractive neighborhood. County has neither enough interest or staff to come out for each illegal sign. There are plenty of volunteers to take on that job but county needs (it thinks) regulations to allow the volunteers to do so. So in a snails pace, (2 year project) a work plan for updating the Arlington County Zoning Ordinance was accepted by the County Board starting with the sign regulations in 2011.

From the county website: "The purpose of the sign regulations phase is to: Make it easier for Arlington citizens and businesses to understand and use the sign regulations; Make it easier for citizens and businesses to comply with the sign regulations; Streamline the approval process and reduce the frequency with which issues require County Board attention; Enhance ease of administration of the Zoning Ordinance."

The update will be conducted in two phases:

Phase I: a comprehensive update of the sign regulations (Section 34 of the Arlington County Zoning Ordinance), with a targeted public hearing date in Fall of 2011.

Phase II: a technical update of the Zoning Ordinance that will primarily address formatting and internal and Virginia Code consistency. No major policy amendments are planned to be considered as part of the Phase II update. Phase II would begin following the completion of Phase I and is anticipated to be a one year study.

Sign Website: http://www.arlingtonva.us/departments/CPHD/planning/studies/SignRegUpdate.aspx

Deborah Albert. Planner, Community Planning, Housing and Development advises, "We will be starting to develop recommendations/regulations at the end of this month, so before then {input from citizens} would be ideal, however, we will welcome comments on the draft regulations once they are available as well." You can reach her at [Dalbert@arlingtonva.us] 703-228-3533 (Ph.)703-228-3543

# 2 Park Clean-Ups in a Row!

Contributed by Maureen Ross

Tom Korns led a major park clean up at Hidden Pond by the bike path of Cherry Valley Nature Area 2 Saturdays in a row, March 19th and 26th. Take a look! We thank the following for laboring with us: Cherrydale Auto Parks team David, Christine and Morgan Aylor, Boy Scout Troop 111, Fred the Cherrydale Volunteer Firefighter, Ned and Joe Langley, Jay and Ajai Tripathis, Catherine Swoss, David Howard, Patrick Margan, Jeff Win, Bill and Nolen Wine, Greg, Maureen Ross and a few folks who's names we missed recording. We filled another dumpster with invasive vines and continued the walking path around the pond. We planned with Parks expert Patrick Wegeng about future tree plantings and taking down some fallen trees that were too close to the river birches and winterberries we planted near by. Come enjoy the pond.

We will need a renaming of Hidden Pond, as it is open and accessible now. Perhaps we should have a contest renaming the pond, and plan a party down there. Do we have any volunteers? Thanks everyone!





# **Hidden Ponds Cleanup**

An "International Community" Experience
By Katherine Christensen

The "Hidden Ponds" along the route 66 bike path are no longer hidden. Work by Cherrydale volunteers, scouts, Cherrydale Volunteer Fire Dept. volunteers, Single Volunteers of DC, and many others over the last few years have opened the underbrush, installed benches and paths, planted native plants, and removed dumpster after dumpster of vines, fallen trees and branches, and invasive plants.

On two weekends in March before leaves emerged, spring cleanup volunteers again filled two dumpsters. **Tom Korns** organized the work on the day I was there. I brought two exchange students from Switzerland to experience a community working together. We met cub scouts, CVFD volunteers, and Cherrydale neighbors. We freed about 10 large trees from choking vines, by sawing, clipping, pulling, yanking. I was glad for strong people to drag the debris up the steep hill to the County-provided dumpster. It was fun to get to know new people; we enjoyed drinks and snacks; and most of all, we can enjoy the tranquil beauty of the ponds and surrounding natural area, and the wildlife they support, just a few yards away from I-66





# LEE HIGHWAY UNDERGROUNDING

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Dominion has been investigating existing electrical facilities to develop the final electrical design which will be implemented once the duct banks have been constructed. Design activities remain on schedule." This means finish end of 2013 or slightly later.

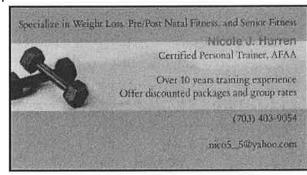
"The County is pursuing an early construction start for the portions of the project along County owned roads. Targeted construction for the duct bank is along N Quincy and 21st St N, and the reconfiguration of the east side of N Quebec St between 21st St N and Old Lee Hwy to possibly begin this winter. Early construction of these portions has the potential to trim several months from the current completion estimate of November 2013."

The County continues to work with the developer of the Bromptons project and VDOT to implement an interim treatment for the sidewalk and streetscape in front of the new building {sic. and N Pollard St}. The new curb and sidewalk alignment have been constructed, but the old curb line cannot be removed until the utility undergrounding is completed {sic ie. end of 2013}.

# Commitment

"Arlington County is committed to aggressively pursuing the completion of this program. Milestones for the critical utility undergrounding Phase II project have been posted on the County web site to help further this goal and will be used to track progress during the final stages of this program. Bimonthly updates will be shared with the Cherrydale Civic

Association through this newsletter. For additional information, please visit www.arlingtonva.us and search "Cherrydale revitalization program". "Cherrydale revitalization program".



# Police Investigate Pedestrian Death

The Arlington County Police Department is investigating a fatal accident that occurred in the 1400 block of North Quincy Street. At approximately 7:30 a.m. on Monday, April 11, 2011, police responded to a pedestrian stuck by a vehicle.

Investigation revealed that a 28 year old woman was walking her golden retriever northbound on N. Quincy Street when she was struck by a black Chevy truck also traveling northbound. She was transported to a local hospital in critical condition. On April 27, 2011, the victim died from injuries sustained in the collision. The dog was struck during the accident and died at the scene. The driver of the vehicle stayed at the scene of the accident and cooperated with police.

Arlington County Police are asking as part of the investigation for any witnesses to contact them at (703) 558-2222, or Detective Paul Marseilles at (703) 228-4237, who may have seen the accident, or the victim walking her dog on the morning of April 11.

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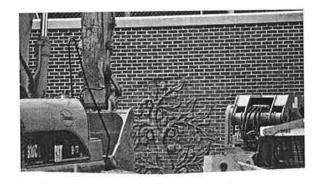
# **Cherrydale Parade**

Scott Springston has already been in contact with Washington and Lee Band Director Mr. Alex Robinson to secure a date for our annual Cherrydale Parade. Thus far we have been given 2 possible dates - the last Saturday of August or early November. Stay tuned to see which one we get. The dates are iffy because the band's performance schedule is based around APS schedule, SAT testing, football and the USSBA Marching Band Competition schedule.

This fall theme will be Cherrydale Veterans. If you have a member of the family who has served in any of our armed forces, please let Maureen Ross know (president@Cherrydale.net). Thank you Scott for taking on this favorite event of the year. And thank you volunteers like Kathy Holt, Dakota Springston, John MacEachen, the Cherrydale Volunteer Fire Department and all the others who

# FIRESTATION 3 THE GRAND OPENING A NEW FIRESTATION IN CHERRYDALE

Lt. Gregg Karl says the official opening date of FS 3 has not yet been determined - but it's soon! The projected completion date is June 28. The time frame remains fluid to be certain construction is complete and the building is ready to be occupied. "As soon as we can confirm the time frame we will make the notification of the opening date." Our own Harry Spector continues to monitor the station's progress. Check out his phenomenal website about the whole process at "Firestation in the hole". Maureen Ross has promised Fire Chief Schwartz a warm Cherrydale welcome and he's promised a grand tour for the opening. Stay tuned.



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# Next Meeting:

CHERRYDALE CITIZENS ASSOCIATION MAY 18, 2011 7:30pm

### AGENDA:

7:30 Announcements 7:30-7:50 Streets at risk for loss of parking 7:50 –8:45 Kathy Holt presents lecture/slide show of Cherrydale Historic Homes and History

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# Lee Highway Undergrounding

Contributed by Maureen Ross

As agreed last Fall when the CCA took County to task about the unbearable delays in completing the undergrounding of utilities and sidewalk improvements along Lee hwy, as well as the narrowing of N Pollard St, the County is supplying this update for our newsletter. I had to change some of the wording, as it starts off stating "Construction on the first phase of the project has been progressing on schedule." I just couldn't let that one stand. I thank Shannon Flanagan Watson, Assistant County Manager for most of the information and all the quotes. So here goes:

Phase I (I-66 to Monroe St) - Now 10 years and counting....finally back on a schedule:

"To date, Dominion Virginia Power (DVP) and their contractors have installed two (2) electrical switches and three (3) transformers along with the associated pads and accessories. Work has also proceeded on duct bank configuration to facilitate final connection to the associated electrical facilities. Scheduled work in May will include the installation of cable. The first phase of the undergrounding is on schedule to be completed by the end of the calendar year 2011." Note to citizens, the county refused to move the switch boxes back 6-12 feet. This is the site where we could have planted shade trees but now and forever cannot. Downhill view of the bike path will be a challenge with the large boxes blocking what was once a clear scene.

Phase II (N Oakland St to west of N Quincy)
"The conceptual design for duct bank along Lee
Highway, N Quincy St, 21st St N, and N Quebec St
has been approved by Dominion. Contract crews
have been digging test pits to determine exact utility
locations along the design alignment for use in final
design.

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# Annual Yard Sale June 11

by Scott Springston
Get out that stuff to sell as
the annual Cherrydale
Neighborhood Yards Sales
event is this June 11th
from 8--1pm. As usual,
many residents of Cherrydale will have yard sales
at their home with lots of
good stuff to buy!!

We regularly have at least 50--70 homes participate! We ask for a \$5 donation to help cover the cost of the maps we make and signs we put up directing people to your sale, and the ads we put in newspapers.

To get onthe map call Scott Springston at 703 528 1548 or e-mail sdakss@aol.com . You must pay before getting on themap.

Sign up deadline and pay deadline is June 8th. As we had so many people who got on the map but did not pay last year, you must have paid the \$5 donation by the 8th or you will not get on the map.

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