



## Nominating Committee Report

The Leeway Overlee Nominating Committee, led by Bill Ross and Amy Appelbaum, has developed a slate of candidates willing to serve as officers of the civic association for next year (June 2004 to May 2005). New officers will be elected during the May 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. The slate proposed by the Nominating Committee is:

**President – Vicki Howard (N. Lexington Street)**  
**Vice President – Suzanne Idziak (N. 19th Street)**  
**Secretary – Open**  
**Treasurer – Carolyn Connell (N. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street)**

Other nominations can be made from the floor at the meeting.

The community will also select its delegates and alternates to the Arlington County Civic Federation and representatives to the Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee for the Leeway neighborhood conservation area. Several of the people currently serving in these positions would like to continue. But there are always some vacancies, so if interested, contact a member of the Nominating Committee and come to the meeting and volunteer.

## LEEWAY OVERLEE CIVIC ASSOCIATION

### Officers

|                 |                 |              |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| President:      | Steve Compton   | 703-533-2857 |
| Vice-President: | Missy Schukraft | 703-534-7233 |
| Secretary:      | Vicki Howard    | 703-304-4487 |
| Treasurer:      | Karen Norrell   | 703-533-1538 |

### Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee

#### Leeway

|                 |                  |              |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Representative: | Rob Swennes      | 703-532-6101 |
| Alternate:      | Michael O'Connor | 703-237-5432 |

#### Highland Park/Overlee Knolls\*

|                 |                |              |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Representative: | Theresa DeFore | 703-536-7611 |
| Alternate:      | Cliff McCreedy | 703-538-4568 |

\*The HPOK NC representatives are elected by the HPOK Civic Association.

### Arlington County Civic Federation

Delegates: Steve Compton, Jerry Auten, Missy Schukraft, Ed Robinson  
 Alternates: Amy Appelbaum, Rob Swennes, Kristin Kelly, Christie Compton

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# Major Changes Recommended for Proposed Westover/Reed Project

Construction of the proposed new Westover library is planned for next spring on the site of the old, two-story section of Reed School. However, it will likely be one-story structure without the Arlington Public School (APS) staff development center and with no underground parking.

In April 2004, Clarence Stukes, Assistant Superintendent for Facilities and Operations for Arlington Public Schools (APS), and Michelle Ferguson, Assistant County Manager, met with area civic association representatives to deliver the news about the changes in the proposed facility. These changes will be finalized when the Schools and the County adopt their Capital Improvement Plans. (Detailed information on library project, and an opportunity to provide comments, is found on the county web site: <http://www.co.arlington.va.us/forums/westover>.)

The civic association representatives voiced disappointment that after nearly five years of planning and the adoption of a master plan for the Reed School/Library property, the underground parking and APS participation are now being removed from consideration. The design for the joint use facility was predicated on a strong visual presence to support the urban character of the site. Reducing it now to a one-story library with surface parking is reviving a concept rejected by the community early in the planning process. However, barring any APS and county government change of plans, County staff, with community involvement, will need to revise the site plan and library design early this fall so that construction can begin in the spring of 2005. Use of the Reed site for the library will not be affected by these changes. It is hoped that the surface parking will be planned so that a minimum of open space is lost.

A community wide meeting on the issue will probably be held in June. **Watch for meeting information. Notice will be sent out to the Leeway Overlee listserv subscribers.**

The County currently has \$4,000,000 in 1998 Library bond funds for the design and construction of the new library.

## Join the Leeway Overlee Listserv!

Do you want to "keep up with the Joneses" in terms of what's going on in the community? If so, join our listserv by sending an email message to [leewayoverlee@hotmail.com](mailto:leewayoverlee@hotmail.com).

## Yard Sale, *continued from page 1.*

entertainment. Be considerate of neighborhood residents when parking for the yard sale. Ensure that all goods and rubbish are removed at the end of the event. Rain date is Saturday, June 12.

Please leave your dogs at home. The civic association has received complaints about situations that arise due to the presence of pets in the crowd.

Make THIS your annual selling event and thus avoid personal yard sales that take so much more time and effort. For more information on the yard sale event, call the Schneiders at 703-533-0748 or the Swenneses at 703-532-6101.

## Apartment Building Proposal Revised

Last December 10 the Leeway Overlee community hosted a presentation by a developer and his attorney regarding a proposed new apartment complex on N. Illinois Street, just behind the CITGO service station at 5510 Lee Highway. Many questions were raised by nearby neighbors. The civic association promised to keep people advised of developments regarding the project. The association has been advised that a revised plan for the apartment building has been prepared. It will be presented at the May 26 meeting. It is expected to address some of the concerns expressed during the December community gathering. Interested and affected homeowners are encouraged to attend.



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## Community Notes

### Thank you, Volunteer Snowmen!

Special thanks are due to those members of the Leeway Overlee community who trained to prevent winter snow from immobilizing the neighborhood. Arlington was lucky this year since we had no major winter storm. But had one struck, 18 adults stood ready to utilize County-provided snow blowers to clear local sidewalks. The one moderate snowfall this past winter provided a quick training opportunity for some of the volunteers.

### “Arlington Prepares” Distribution on June 5

Many Leeway Overlee newsletter distributors have volunteered to provide emergency preparedness information door to door on this date. The information has been developed by Arlington County. It includes practical tips on being informed, developing emergency plans, and getting involved in Arlington preparedness. Other Arlington Prepares events will occur later in the year, including an emergency exercise this fall. For more information on the program, check out the new County website homepage at <http://www.arlingtonva.us> or call the Arlington Citizen Corps at 703-228-7036.

### Protect our Trees in the Summer Heat

Hot summer weather will soon be upon us. If you have trees in your yard or on public property nearby, remember to provide lots of water to them in the event of a summer drought. Trees planted within the past two years are particularly susceptible to drought death. But even well-established trees can succumb to a prolonged lack of water. Large shade trees are a primary line of defense against summer heat and high air conditioning bills. It takes thirty years or more to grow a healthy tree that gives canopy shade. Do your part to protect these living community assets!



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