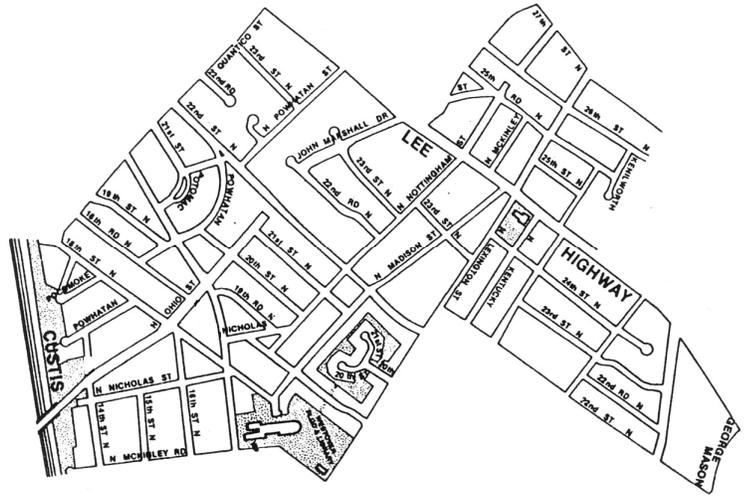


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General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, June 19, 2012 -- 7:30 p.m.
Meeting Room, Westover Library
1644 N. McKinley Rd.

Arlington's Voice In the Virginia General Assembly

Featured Speaker

Delegate Patrick Hope, 47th District

Refreshments provided

Progress and Setbacks in Richmond

Delegate Patrick Hope has completed his third year representing most of the Leeway Overlee neighborhood in the House of Delegates in Richmond. He looks forward to meeting constituents to discuss his most recent legislative efforts within the General Assembly as well as those of his fellow delegates from Arlington. Each year the County's delegation brings with it a list of legislative priorities. Delegate Hope will discuss how those priorities are faring in Virginia's legislative body and what the outlook is for the next several years. He is ready to answer questions regarding issues such as state transportation (including the Silver line to Dulles) and other matters of interest to you.

Other meeting business includes annual election of officers for the civic association as well as Leeway Overlee's representatives to the Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee and delegates to the Arlington Civic Federation.

Opening Day for the Overlee Pools Delayed

Though families belonging to the Overlee Community Association, Inc. have received their pool passes for this summer, they have yet to get into the water. The association property is an active construction site with work still being done on the replacement main pool and



A new pump house rises near the bathhouse.

the many other features approved by the membership for the private club. The demolition work on the old pool, originally scheduled to begin right after Labor Day, did not commence until late January.

The Overlee web site (<http://www.overlee.org/>) currently estimates that the pool will be open by mid June, but many members may not believe that. Some have been irate at what they consider misinformation passed along to them since the construction project was approved. Some word on progress at Overlee is available on the association's blog-- <http://overlee-pool.blogspot.com/>.

The blog archive contains some interesting details on the efforts made earlier this year to keep this project on track. Delays in permitting at the County level seem to

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Nominating Committee Proposes Slate of Officers

The Leeway Overlee Nominating Committee, led by Pierre Boyer and Chips Johnson, has developed a slate of candidates willing to serve as officers of the civic association for the next year (June 2012 – June 2013). The new officers will be elected at the June 19th meeting. The slate proposed by the Nominating Committee is:

President – Kimberly Klingler (Lee Highway)
 Vice President – Karla Brown (N. Nottingham Street)
 Secretary – Ladd Connell (N. 22nd Street)
 Treasurer – Jennifer Michener (N. 23rd Street)

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

The community will also select its delegates and alternates to the Arlington County Civic Federation and its 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. If interested in a particular position, contact a member of the Nominating Committee and/or come to the meeting and volunteer!

LEEWAY OVERLEE CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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Treasurer:	Jennifer Michener	703-533-0754

Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee

Leeway

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

Highland Park/Overlee Knolls*

Representative:	Dennis McGarry	703-533-3698
Alternate:		

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

Arlington County Civic Federation

Delegates: Ed Robinson, Jerry Auten, Pierre Boyer, Karla Brown
 Alternates: Ladd Connell, Rob Swennes

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Westover Farmers Market Is Up and Running

The new Westover Farmers Market launched on Sunday, May 6th and has already proven to be a popular addition to this part of the County. A few local



Shoppers walk along the row of tents at the Market.

merchants had expressed concerns regarding the market, but the reality appears to be much more to their liking. The Market organizers had hoped for 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. market hours on Sundays, but the County Board only approved operations from 8 a.m. till noon. In retrospect that may have been a good change. It might appear even smarter when the daytime heat in July and August is with us.

The market has added several new vendors in the past month—the most recent being dairy and salsa providers. For a complete list of the vendors at the market, go to the

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have been the main cause of the tardy start on breaking ground. On the street a common view is that the Overlee pools will likely open first for the 4th of July holiday. If the Overlee directors are able to get at least the heated lap pool open in June, they will regain some of their credibility with members.

The new association clubhouse has yet to rise. However, members were warned at the annual meeting in February that the clubhouse would not be finished till late in the season. At this point late in the year may be a more accurate assessment.

The association has gone to great lengths to protect most of the mature shade trees on the Overlee property. The great oaks will remain as a notable feature of the neighborhood even when the frustrations of the association's rebuild become a dim memory.

market's web page (<http://westoverfarmersmarket.org/>) and click on the Vendors link at the top. All but one of the 15 vendors have web sites of their own describing their farms, orchards, and locally produced products. Some maintain active Facebook and Twitter pages and use them to correspond with regular customers.

A large number of local residents have signed up to volunteer at the market. It has proven to be a great way to meet like-minded folks in the neighborhood and to share ideas about smart eating and the quest for really fresh local produce.

The summer market is due to run until late November. There is no word yet regarding whether a winter season of the market will be organized. The vendors selling at the market (all of whom come from within a 125-mile radius around Arlington) have been very positive about the response from the local community and are glad to be part of this new effort.



Westover Farmers Market volunteers



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Community Notes

Leeway Overlee Community Day a Success

Despite torrential rains the day before, Saturday, June 2nd dawned with sunshine for the 34th annual Leeway Overlee Community Day and Yard Sale. Over 90 families and vendors set up along the John Marshall/Ohio greenway between N. 23rd Street and Washington Boulevard. Several thousand people showed up as in the past, and the temperatures remained balmy. A lot of family possessions changed hands that day, and many neighborhood friendships were renewed. Thanks to the three-piece combo that provided such mellow music most of the morning and to the volunteers in the neighborhood who help make this annual event possible.

N. Nottingham Neighborhood Conservation Project Progresses

The N. Nottingham street right of way between Lee Highway and N. 22nd Street has been a major construction zone for over a month. Though local residents are tired of the mess, the improvements on the ground are dramatic. A fine new 5-foot wide sidewalk has been installed on the west side of the street. For decades people have had to walk in the street. The street has been noticeably narrowed in width to accommodate the sidewalk. This will force drivers on Nottingham to proceed more slowly, especially when there is oncoming traffic.

Leeway Overlee Discussion Listserv Approaches 150 Subscribers

The number of people subscribed to the association's listserv stands at 149. It will likely be over 150 by the time you read this. The discussion listserv was launched in April 2011 so that the community could exchange local information, seek reliable repairers, and the like. Subscribers have been very considerate by not posting commercial solicitations or sharing "rants" on subjects that may bug them. Thanks to the several neighbors who have been rotating the responsibility for reviewing subscription requests.

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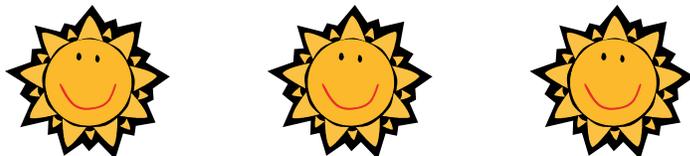
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- ◆ Join the association's discussion listserv by sending an email with your name and street address to the moderators at : LOCAAdmin@yahoogroups.com to share community items of interest, ask for and receive recommendations for service providers (plumbers, carpenters, etc.) from neighbors who have used them. You can unsubscribe from the listserv at any time. Commercial use of the listserv is not authorized.