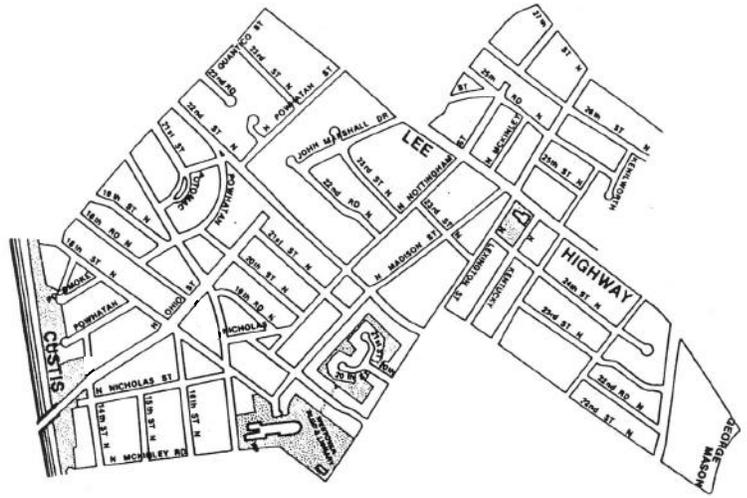


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General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, October 29, 2013 – 7:30 p.m.
Westover Library Meeting Room
1644 N. McKinley Rd.

Opening of Metro's Silver Line

Featured Speaker

Lynn Rivers
WMATA Service Coordinator for Arlington

Refreshments provided

Metro's Silver Line Due to Open in Early 2014

The Silver Line is WAMATA's largest expansion project by route mileage since the inception of the Washington Metro in 1976. The line when completed will be 28 miles (45 km) long; its price tag may be up to \$6.8 billion. The line's opening will have a particularly strong impact on the East Falls Church Metro station, since that is the station where the Orange and Silver lines will split. The Orange line trains will roll out to Vienna as they have for several decades.

However, the new stations on the Silver line will dwarf the older Orange Line system in many ways.

While there are three Metro stations between here and Vienna on the Orange Line, on the Silver Line there will be eleven. Phase I of the project is scheduled to open in January 2014. It will carry Metro riders for the first time out to McLean, Tysons Corner (three stations), and into Reston. It is the impact of the subway's arrival in the Tysons Corner area that has been drawing widespread discussion for years. For a map showing the full Silver Line in Virginia, go to http://www.dullesmetro.com/pdfs/DCP-New-Stations-Map_04-08-13.pdf.

Several years later service on the Silver Line will leap forward when Phase II of the line will open with service out to Dulles Airport and two further stops in Loudoun County – a total of six additional stations. The Silver Line will in time have a transformative impact upon the entire Dulles Toll Road corridor and the eastern half of the Dulles Greenway, triggering massive reconstruction of those areas similar to what has already begun in Tysons Corner.



How Will the Silver Line Affect the Leeway Overlee Area?

The initiation of service on the Silver Line in early 2014 will have an effect on all Virginia Orange Line stations, but the East Falls Church Station is likely to feel a greater impact than most. Little public discussion has been held thus far on what we can anticipate in terms of additional parking demands, altered commuter routes, and the like. Lynn Rivers, Arlington's WMATA Service Coordinator, has been invited to discuss the new rail line's possible effect on our neighborhood and answer local residents' questions at the October meeting. Please join us.



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Snow is Coming: Volunteers Needed

Despite the balmy weather of early Fall, winter is not far away. If Arlington is hit by a snow storm—or a series of major snowstorms like happened a few years ago—the cleaning of our sidewalks must be done by local residents. The County concentrates on plowing to get streets reopened; it does not have the manpower to address public sidewalks.

To fill this gap, the civic association coordinates neighborhood volunteers willing to use County-provided snow blowers to help open pedestrian routes to the Metro station and the Westover shopping area. More volunteers are needed. If you would like to lend a hand, contact Rob Swennes (703-532-6101).



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◆ Join the association's discussion listserv by sending an email with your name and street address to the moderators at : LO-CAAdmin@yahoo.com to share community items of interest, and 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.



Remember to Vote Tuesday, November 5



Long-Term Care Residences in Arlington, Part II

By John Kozar

At some point in time, all of us will be direct or indirect users of nursing and rehabilitation center services. Our grandparents, our parents, other family members or friends or we will probably need these services. Most of us will face decisions about long-term care **in a crisis-mode**, which may detract from our ability to make good choices. As with all major decisions, planning ahead usually helps.

The best source for planning information is your County's **Area Agency on Aging**. In Arlington, it's the Arlington Aging and Disability Services of the Department of Human Services: 703-228-1700. This agency can provide information about Medicare and Medicaid coverage for nursing home services and eligibility criteria. In addition, it can provide the names and addresses of nursing and rehabilitation centers in your locale, contact information, publications and brochures and sources of on-line sites that provide more information and **evaluative data** from other governmental and private sources. One quick source for evaluations is www.medicare.gov/nursinghomecompare. On this web site, type your ZIP CODE into the location area, and a list of nursing homes will be displayed along with their current ratings and other related information.

The Arlington Commission on Long-term Care Residences, a volunteer-group of Arlington citizens appointed by the County Board, is also available as an information resource. The Commission works to keep the County Board apprised and aware of long-term care issues and to assist Arlington's Aging and Disability Services Office by making information and access to resources more readily available to the community. Later this year its on-line web site will be revamped and updated. It will consolidate and streamline the data from the many and varied national, county and local resources into a one-stop location, an "Angie's List" if you will, for information about nursing and rehabilitation center services and other long-term care issues. The current web address for the Commission is: www.tinyurl.com/aclterc.

The www.medicare.gov web site also has planning guides and checklists to use to perform your own visit and evaluation of a prospective nursing home. Another source for planning information is the AARP – you don't have to be a member! One of its many guides, *Planning for Long Term Care*, is available online at aarp.org/decides. This publication contains much useful information about health issues, finances, and other long-term resources. With the costs of long-term care services continually rising and the availability of Medicaid services declining, long-term care insurance might be your financial solution.

Check with your insurance company to obtain more information on Long-term Care Insurance and eligibility. Information about nursing home advocacy and other actions we can pursue to help these organizations and ourselves will follow in the next article.

If you have questions or comments, please give me a call – 703-536-1920.

Silver Line...from page 1

The East Falls Church Metro station will be the transfer point for those wishing to switch between the Orange and Silver Lines. The amount of commuter traffic running through that station each day will increase significantly. As a result, the demand for housing anywhere near the station should rise accordingly.

The opening of a mass transit project of this complexity and scope will trigger a host of transportation changes in the region. It will also seriously impact land usage in the area. You are encouraged to take part in this community discussion to get a better sense of what is coming toward us down the tracks.

Find Leeway Overlee on Facebook!



Over the years, our communication methods have grown and changed. Today, we continue to maintain our: quarterly meetings, paper newsletter, website, electronic newsletter, announcement

listserv, discussion listserv, and now our Facebook group. To request permission to join our group, please go to Facebook and search for "Leeway Overlee Civic Association". As we continue to grow and change our communication methods will also evolve. If you have any questions, concerns, or recommendations please contact Kim Klingler via email at: ContactKimK@gmail.com.

Sunday Mornings — N. McKinley Rd. at Washington Blvd.



From field to table in 125 miles or less!

Community Notes

Subdivision of Large Neighborhood Lots

The community is quickly reaching its limit in terms of local lots that can be subdivided into two or more building parcels. Two current oversized lots are in the process of being subdivided. Suburban Builders has been working for the past half year to get County approval for subdividing 6046 N. 23rd Street into three buildable lots. The property is at the corner of N. 23rd Street and John Marshall Drive. Adjacent property owners have serious concerns regarding how resulting storm water runoff will impact their properties and homes once three large houses are built. The developer is still working with the County to address these runoff issues, so the building permits have not yet been issued.

Also up for redevelopment is Honeysuckle Hill, 6122 Lee Highway. For those who have walked along this area, it is the large iconic brick colonial home that sits far back on a large lot and has a rooster sign near the highway listing the address. Subdivision is being sought by the owners of the property since 1989 who now live in North Carolina. They propose to retain the existing house but subdivide the almost 42,000 sq. ft. lot to allow for future construction of three additional homes. Subdivision is being sought under the County's Unified Residential Development ordinance. The owners and their attorney have been discussing the subdivision plans with adjacent property owners and the civic association's officers.

LEEWAY OVERLEE CIVIC ASSOCIATION 2013 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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