

## President's Message

### Parking on Apple Tree Drive Heads Agenda for April 24

As reported in last month's Rambler, we will be discussing the issue of parking in the 4700 and 4800 blocks on Apple Tree Drive. This is not a new issue for RHCA, which long has voiced safety concerns about days when the lot at Rose Hill Elementary is not adequate to handle the volume. This usually occurs when there is inclement weather or a scheduled school event.

A recent near miss involving a student and parent on Apple Tree Drive has put the issue on the front burner. The staff at the John Marshall Library also has voiced concern about its lot being overwhelmed on occasion, leaving library patrons no place to park.

One of the proposals is to limit parking on one side of Apple Tree Drive in the 4700 and 4800 blocks. We urge all the residents of the affected area to attend the meeting and participate in the decision. This is the first step in a long process. Public hearings will be held, but they will be in Fairfax. This is your opportunity to participate in the public dialogue right here in your community.

### RHCA Meeting: April 24, 7:00 pm John Marshall Library

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Some years back, the same issue plagued the residents of May Boulevard across from the school. Parking is now limited to one side back to Treetop Lane, allowing residents to safely use their driveways and motorists to be able to travel the street with adequate lines of sight.

We also will discuss whether to invite our new neighbors in Rose Hill Reserve to become members of RHCA. The new community will have its own Homeowners Association with mandatory dues. A continual exchange of issues through RHCA would be advantageous for both groups.

## FY 2013 Budget

While it appears the Board of Supervisors will adopt a budget that will mean little or no change to the average taxpayer, I continue to be concerned about the allocation of funds when it comes to the police. My investigation of the police budget reveals a continuing decline in the number of officers available to serve our community. The proposed police budget, although higher than last year's, includes no additional officers. And, there haven't been any for at least three years. In fact, we have 52 positions less than then. Further, the cutback in overtime has had an effect on the number of officers on duty at any one time. The problem is particularly acute in the Franconia precinct, which includes Rose Hill. The massive new development at Lorton called Laurel Hill once again is being served by the same number of officers assigned to Franconia. What's more, the proposed new precinct to serve Laurel Hill again has been deleted from the upcoming capital improvements budget. On the one hand, the police continue to urge citizens to call them when they see something suspicious in the

neighborhood. On the other, the more calls we make, the less time the current number of officers can devote to checking out our information. I am a firm believer that police protection and emergency response is the Number One service the County can provide its citizens. It also is my fear that our police protection is less than adequate and needs to be further addressed in the budget. I appreciate your support in that belief. I have advocated, for example, that the Board of Supervisors transfer at least a portion of the funding of the school resource officers from the police budget to the school budget to accommodate the hiring of more patrol officers with no corresponding increase in the school budget. The total will remain the same and the schools, which consume 53 percent of the budget for one-third of the taxpayers, find a way to absorb the resulting miniscule decrease in a \$2-plus Billion budget without cutting any monies directed toward the classroom.

See my letter to Supervisor McKay on page 11.

### **Wegmans, Telegraph Road**

If you travel south on Telegraph Road past Hayfield High School, you will see the work being done to widen the road to four lanes from Leaf Road, the entrance to the office installations on Fort Belvoir at the Gribble Gate, all the way to just past the fire station. When completed, the project also will connect with Mulligan Road, a new four-lane facility that will whisk traffic from Telegraph Road to Route #1 at Woodlawn. All of this is scheduled to be completed next year. What you can't see yet is the site work going on at the top of what is known as Potter's Hill that will accommodate the new Wegmans grocery store. The total development will include 250,000 square feet of retail and 100,000 square feet of office development at the doorstep of Fort Belvoir. Wegmans is the major player in the development of what was once the entrance to the Hilltop landfill. Wegmans is now projected to open in early 2014. The entrance to the store and the entire development will be off Beulah Street. There is no access to Telegraph Road.

Closer to home, the project to untangle the mess at the offset intersections of Telegraph Road, South Kings Highway and South Van Dorn Street is moving along, albeit on

paper. Acquisition for right of way is almost complete. Coordination with county, state and federal environmental agencies is ongoing. Construction is expected to begin in March of next year (2013) with completion scheduled for the end of the year. When finished, the road will include dual left-turn lanes from South Kings onto southbound Telegraph Road, a right-turn lane from southbound Telegraph Road to South Van Dorn, one turn land from northbound Telegraph to South Kings, a five-foot wide sidewalk on the east side and a 10-foot shared path on the west side of Telegraph Road. The estimated cost of \$12.5 million is being funded by Fairfax County, design and construction is by the Virginia Department of Transportation.

### **Membership Update**

We are printing the 2012 membership list again because some people were inadvertently left out last month. What we think is the correct list is on pages 4 and 5. If you think your name belongs, please give us a call. We have the membership slips for 2012 and can check again. If your name isn't on the list, chances are you have not yet joined. We remain considerably below the total membership for 2011. Without your support, we cannot continue all of our programs. Your memberships help pay for the printing of *The Rambler*, the post office box, the Rose Hill Beauty signs, etc. Frankly, without generous contributions to the general fund, we wouldn't raise enough to pay for *The Rambler*. We also accept contributions to pay for the flower and landscaping at the entrance sign four times per year. We sincerely thank all of you who care enough about your community to support RHCA. If your 2012 membership just slipped your mind, send your check to RHCA today. A membership form is printed on page 3.

### **Latest on the Silos**

As we reported in the January *Rambler*, it appears the owner of the property on May Boulevard has decided to build fewer new houses and lease the existing building and the silos as a day care center and church. However, despite the efforts of RHCA and the Franconia Museum, the application to place the silos on Fairfax County's inventory of historic properties has not been accomplished.

Frankly, we seem unable to get across the point that the silos are worthy of protection because they depict a way of life in Rose Hill and Franconia in years gone by. Rose Hill was a working farm from the 1700s until the early 1950s. The original manor house is gone and the hundreds of farmland and pasture now are large subdivisions. As far as we can figure, the silos weren't built until the late 1930s. Not surprising, since silos weren't invented as a way to store grain until the early 1900s. The County History Commission and Architectural Review Board are concentrating more on the structures than what they represent. We agree the silos aren't old when compared with the original farm, but they are highly visible reminders of what once was here. In the meantime, we'll continue to work with the owner to preserve the silos and hope the County comes around to understand our position. By the way, we will hear from the potential occupants of the buildings at an RHCA meeting as a prelude to any public hearings by the County. Judging by the widespread support we have received to preserve the silos, that issue will be a major issue in our deliberations.

- Carl Sell

### ***To join or renew your membership in the Rose Hill Civic Association...***

Please fill out this form or online at [myRoseHill.com](http://myRoseHill.com) and mail, along with your check, to the  
RHCA, P.O. Box 10891, Alexandria, VA 22310.

If you have questions, feel free to call any of the officers.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check for: ☐ \$10 Membership  
☐ \$\_\_\_ Donation for upkeep and landscaping of the Rose Hill entrance sign  
☐ \$\_\_\_ Donation for RHCA General Fund

## 2012 Membership List

Nouri & Suham	Abbou	6115 Rose Hill Drive	B.	Digman	6217 Blossom Lane
Erin & Jose	Alfaro	4524 Apple Tree Drive	Ron & Donna	Dillon	4618 Winton Place
Augusto & Norma	Alvarez	6507 Carriage Drive	Peg	Dockery	6430 Carriage Drive
Nancy	Anderson	4500 Apple Tree Drive	Robin & David	Dodson	6400 Wayside Place
Nida & Jerry	Antonio	6406 May Boulevard	Dennis	Dzierzawski	6210 Thornwood Drive
Rebecca	Bagdasarian	6214 Driftwood Drive	Betty	Elliott	6411 Maryview Street
Frank & Rayma	Bale	6315 Willowood Lane	Mark & Carol	Erickson	6223 Driftwood Drive
Rick & Patti	Ballard	4519 Lark Lane	Susan	Feagley	4705 Split Rock Road
P.G.	Bauseman	4531 Roundhill Road	Tom	Felleisen	6406 Hayfield Place
Margie	Beach	4429 Roundhill Road	Joseph	Finnegan	6409 Hayfield Place
Daniel	Bearth	6417 Rose Hill Drive	Anna	Fish	6301 Cottonwood Drive
Ruth Connie	Beatty	6428 Rose Hill Drive	Trigg & Beverly	Flannagan	6514 Hayfield Place
Vikki	Beatty	4415 Roundhill Road	Barry & Zoe Ann	Freitag	6303 May Boulevard
Sandy	Benarick	6270 Rose Hill Drive	Michael Smith & Ratri	Friend	6111 Leewood Drive
Henry & Carla	Bentley	6205 Willowood Lane	Larry & Constance	Fulk	6410 Cottonwood Drive
Shirley	Bennington	6405 May Boulevard	Criag	Furneisen	4912 Treetop Lane
Phillip & Carol	Bishop	6310 Climhill Road	L. Seiss	G. Miller	6415 Willowood Lane
Carl & Margaret	Bon	5001 Eastchester Circle	Janice	Gable	6404 Willowood Lane
Jeannette	Bottomley	5003 Eastchester Circle	John	Good	4604 Roundhill Road
Bill	Braswell	6307 Climhill Road	Mike & Bonnie	Greek	6330 Willowood Lane
Gary	Bravy	6214 Climhill Road	Johanna	Guccione	6013 Leewood Drive
Mark & Lorraine	Broxterman	6424 Haystack Road	Chris & Susie	Guinto	6515 Haystack Road
Ron & Nancy	Buzalsky	4434 Roundhill Road	Carole & Sal	Guzzetta	6407 May Boulevard
Wally & Julia	Calhoun	4523 Apple Tree Drive	Maureen	Hass Smith	6304 Cottonwood Drive
Tracy	Campbell	6402 Cottonwood Drive	Joe & Lorraine	Hatcher	6102 Leewood Drive
Ralph	Carico	6112 Leewood Drive	Elmer & Alice	Haupt	6208 Thornwood Drive
Sarah & Craig	Casella	6519 Carriage Drive	Robert & Shirley	Herr	6103 Leewood Drive
John & Penny	Casmire	4907 Silo Road	Lucio	Herrera	4525 Apple Tree Drive
Raul & Kelly	Castillo	6414 Willowood Lane	L.	Hestvik	4515 Sturbridge Place
Roger & Carol	Christiansen	6409 Mayview Street	Don & Lynn	Hoffman	5002 Treetop Lane
Robert G.	Ciccotelli	6511 Haystack Road	Thomas & Shirley	Holliday	6613 Cottonwood Drive
Donald Ball & Jacque	Clark	6307 Willowood Lane	Emily	Hood	5012 Treetop Lane
H.	Cofer	6218 Saddle Tree Drive	Cliff & Barbara	James	6412 May Boulevard
Sally	Coler	6401 Hayfield Place	D.J.	Jameson	4707 Split Rock Road
Craig & Joe	Collins	6110 Leewood Drive	F.	Jencks	6416 Willowood Lane
Natalie & Alexander	Cook	6111 Clovergrass Drive	Craig & Holly	Jeter	6329 Maryview Street
Lois	Corbin	6221 Blossom Lane	Matthew & Cynthia	Johnson-Dailey	5009 Eastchester Circle
Steve	Corbin	4901 Split Rock Road	Marvin & Frances	Justice	6402 Rose Hill Drive
Walter F.	Dailey	6307 Cottonwood Drive	Jason & Heather	Justice	4713 Apple Tree Drive
Sally & William Dankers & M. Parkyn		6511 Carriage Drive	Stephen & Brianne	Kalach	6220 Driftwood Drive
Stephanie Young/	Darren Springer	6403 Willowood Lane	Janet	Kasimir	4517 Sturbridge Place
Rebecca & Salvador	del Castillo	6400 Round Hill Road	Ana & Charles	Kimberly	6504 Cottonwood Drive



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K.	Kinlin	6408 Willowood Lane	James	Ridgell	6513 Cottonwood Drive
D & D	Krause	6300 Rose Hill Drive	Nancy	Ridgway	4609 Cottonwood Place
Susan & Brent	Kroetch	4700 Flower Lane	Dennis & Sylvia	Robison	4514 Sturbridge Place
Cedric	Lack	6330 Rose Hill Drive	Joe & Joyce	Ruggero	6310 Saddle Tree Drive
Mildred	Lane	8410 May Boulevard	Judy Taylor & Carlos	Rolon	6503 Rose Hill Drive
Ronald & Katherine	Lender	6406 Rose Hill Drive	G. Miller	L. Seiss	6415 Willowood Lane
Danny & Maria	Lenore	6418 Cottonwood Drive	Carl & Marti	Sell	6601 Cottonwood Drive
Jayne & Karla	Letsche	6502 Cottonwood Drive	Arlene & Nathan	Shapiro	6216 Driftwood Drive
Edward	Lewis	6117 Leewood Drive	Ann	Shappi	4914 Treetop Lane
James	Lockwood	6114 Clovergrass Drive	Cragin & Kay	Shelton	44003 Roundhill Road
Charles	Long	4602 Apple Tree Drive	James & Marie	Sherfey	6413 Rose Hill Drive
Jamey & David	Lord	6208 Redwood Lane	Diane & Marty	Shupack	6419 Haystack Road
Wellington & Ann	Machmer	6200 Willowood Lane	George & Joan	Simms	6434 Carriage Drive
Jane & John	Madaris	4422 Roundhill Road	Burt & Debbie	Slack	4903 Apple Tree Drive
Paulette & Stanley	Martin	4517 Lark Lane	Carolyn	Slenska	6308 Climhill Road
Gerry	Mason	6503 Carriage Drive	Mark & Dottie	Snyder	6322 Maryview Street
Mary	Mayo	6122 Leewood Drive	Bill & Jean	Stemple	6306 Cottonwood Drive
Margie & Frank	McConnell	6220 Thornwood Drive	Mary	Stinnette	4520 Apple Tree Drive
Madge	McKay	6402 Wayside Place	Terry	Stone	4522 Apple Tree Drive
Donald & Nancy	McMinn	4804 Apple Tree Drive	Ray	Stone	4528 Roundhill Road
Mimi	Minarik	6518 Telegraph Road	Tom	Strah	6421 Rose Hill Drive
Edna	Mitchell	6305 May Boulevard	Tinker & Don	Szamborski	4615 Winston Place
Harold & Lavera	Murray	5003 Tree Top Lane	Alberta	Taylor	6308 Cottonwood Drive
J.M.	Neidermeyer	6500 Haystack Road	Barbara	Taylor	4433 Roundhill Road
Herbert & Grace	Newman	4910 Silo Road	John & Dorothy	Thibeau	6216 Saddle Tree Drive
But The	Nguyen	6512 Rose Hill Drive	Joanne M.	Thompson	
Kimbinh	Nguyen	6711 Greendale Road	Jean	Thomson	6302 Cottonwood Drive
David & Linda	Nichols	6416 Rose Hill Drive	Nina	Tisara	6408 Hayfield Place
Sam & Kim	Nimjareansuk	4507 Apple Tree Drive	James W.	Troy	5004 Eastchester Circle
Jack & Kathy	O'Connor	6519 Haystack Road	Stien	Van Egmond	6508 Cottonwood Drive
Rodney & Kathy	Palmer	6101 Leewood Drive	Linda & Morgan	Walton	4900 Silo Road
William & Janelle	Parker	7417 Willowood Lane	Fran	Watts	6508 Haystack Road
Barbara	Peyton	4601 Apple Tree Drive	Macy	Watts	6008 Leewood Drive
Charles & Jeska	Pfefferle	6503 Haystack Road	Don & Nina	Weber	6120 Dew Grass Drive
Brenda & Stephen	Phillips	6408 Maryview Street	Jonathon & Janelle	Welch	4515 Sturbridge Place
Robert	Pinkham	6513 Carriage Drive	Louise & Rick	Westgate	6708 Greendale Road
C. Roy & Susan	Poff	6328 Maryview Street	Karen	Wheless	6709 Greendale Road
Jo Ann	Ponce	6203 Willowood Lane	Jeff	Williams	6121 Dew Grass Drive
William	Poppe	6100 Leewood Drive	Charles & Patricia	Wimberley	6506 Haystack Road
Monica	Reed	6422 Rose Hill Drive	Nour Barakat	Walter Zalatoris	6609 Cottonwood Drive
Adam & Rita	Rice	6431 Carriage Drive			
Jim & Nancy	Richey	4402 Roundhill Road			

# Rose Hill Community Calendar

## Around Rose Hill

- ★ **Every Wednesday and Saturday.** BINGO! Franconia Volunteer Fire Dept. Early Bird, 7pm. Regular sessions, 8pm.

## John Marshall Library

6209 Rose Hill Dr., 703.971.0010. Call ahead to register for events. Hours: M, W, F — 10am-6pm; T, Th, — 1pm-9pm; Sat — 10am-5pm.

- ★ **Ongoing Event.** Personalized Computer Training. Basics for beginners: Internet and Microsoft Word. Call for appointment. Adults.
- ★ **April 27.** Preschool Storytime. 11:00 am. Join us for stories and activities. Age 3-5 w/ adult.
- ★ **May 2.** Toddler Time. 10:30 am. Stories and activities. Age 13-23 months. One adult per child.
- ★ **May 5.** Used Book Sale. 12:00 pm. Friends of the John Marshall Community Library will have a used book sale. Adults.
- ★ **May 9.** Fun for Twos and Threes. 10:30 am. Stories and activities. Age 13-23 months. One adult per child.
- ★ **May 17.** Book Discussion Group. 7:15 pm. Adults.
- ★ **May 18.** Preschool Storytime. 11:00 am. Join us for stories and activities. Age 3-5 w/ adult.

## Thomas Edison High School

5801 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA 22310; Office — 703.924.8000; Fax — 703.924.8097



- ★ **April 27-28 & May 4-5.** Rodgers & Hammerstein's OKLAHOMA!. 7:00 pm. Presented by Edison High School's Visual & Performing Arts. More info can be found at [www.edisondrama.com](http://www.edisondrama.com).
- ★ **April 29.** Edison Pyramid Art Show. 6:00 pm. Featuring artists from Edison, Twain, Bush Hill, Cameron, Clermont, Franconia, Mt. Eagle and Rose Hill.

## Mark Twain Middle School

4700 Franconia Rd., Alexandria, 22310; Office — 703.313.3700, Fax — 703.313.3797



There were no updates to the calendar as of the printing of this edition.

## Rose Hill Elementary School

6301 Rose Hill Dr., Alexandria, VA 22  
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Fax: 703.313.4297



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## KINGSTOWNE CENTER FOR ACTIVE ADULTS

### CRAFT FAIR

The Kingstowne Center for Active Adults is Holding its annual crafts fair on Saturday, September 29 from 9 to 3 at our center located at 6488 Landsdowne Center, Alexandria, VA 22315. We are currently looking for crafters. Anyone who is interested can contact Kate Wildman at 703.339.7676 or [m.mcgraw-wildman@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:m.mcgraw-wildman@fairfaxcounty.gov).

### WANTED!

Wanted to Buy: Toilet from house in Rose Hill to replace original in house on Cottonwood Drive. Contact: Maria Wildes, 703-379-7769.

### FREE!

Floor Tiles. I have a good number of 8-inch square parquet floor tiles in good condition taken from home on Cottonwood Drive. Free for the asking. Contact: Dan Bearth, 703-971-4357.



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## Rose Hill Business Directory

*Only those residents who are members of the Rose Hill Civic Association or provide services in kind will qualify for a free listing in the business directory. Membership dues are the source of funds for the printing of The Rambler. A membership form for 2012 is included in this issue.*

### HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING

**Dove Heating and Air Conditioning.** We service and install heat pumps, air conditioners, furnaces, hot water heaters, and humidifiers. David and Linda Nichols, 703.971.8897. The Nichols have been in business for 24 years and have lived in Rose Hill for 34 years.

### REAL ESTATE

**Exit Metro Realty.** Angie Vereen, 571-233-6395, [angie@exitmetroliving.com](mailto:angie@exitmetroliving.com). Our extensive experience and expertise in the Alexandria, Lorton, and Vienna real estate market will benefit you whether you are looking to buy or sell a home in the area. Licensed in Virginia and Maryland.

### LAWN SERVICES

**Fortney Lawn & Garden.** David and Jimmy Fortney, 703.960.8869. Although they live in Virginia Hills, the Fortneys work closely with RHCA to maintain the median landscaping on Rose Hill Drive.

**Dans Lawn & Leaf.** Daniel and David Bishop, 703.719.7806. Fast, friendly, affordable service. Serving the Rose Hill community for 7 years.

**Freedom Lawn & Landscape.** Matt Downey, 571.218.2881, [freedomproviders@gmail.com](mailto:freedomproviders@gmail.com). We would like to thank all of our Rose Hill clients for their business in 2011! We are preparing to make 2012 our best year yet and would love to add more Rose Hill clients! Have your home make this year's Rose Hill Beauties list! Discount for RHCA members. FREE estimates for all! Join VOTE FREEDOM in 2012.

### HOUSE CLEANING

**Ingrid Hayslip.** 703.362.5672. A 14 year resident of the Rose Hill area, I clean houses including move-in and move-outs.

**Evergreen Maid Service.** 703.971.7160. Owned and operated by Nour Barakat and Mike Zalatoris. Our residential cleaning business is celebrating 25 yrs of service in Alexandria and for the last 22 yrs from our home in Rose Hill. We offer reliable and affordable home and office cleaning for all local residents, and we are happy to offer a special 25% discount to our neighbors to celebrate our anniversary. Call 703.971.7160 for a free estimate and to schedule your cleaning. Thank you Rose Hill for being our happy home! (See our ad in this newsletter.)

Free All Day Yoga Open House



*Walk-ins Welcome*

**Saturday, March 13th**

- 9:00-9:15am\* - Beginner Yoga
- 10:15-11:00am\* - Yoga Flow
- 11:30am-12:15pm\* - Fiery Sun Stretch
- 1:00-1:45pm\* - Restorative Fitness Yoga (Gentle)
- 2:00-3:00pm - Yoga Reception

\* Please arrive 15 minutes before each class.



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## PHOTOGRAPHY

**Tisara Photography.** Nina Tisara, 703.838.8098. Tisara Photography is a family business with a studio in Old Town Alexandria since 1990. They specialize in portraits and special events. Nina lives on Hayfield Place.

## PET SITTING

**Welcome Waggin' Professional Pet Sitting.** Jonathan and Janelle Welch. 703.819.0809, [jlw@welcomewaggin.com](mailto:jlw@welcomewaggin.com). Serving the Alexandria area since 2000.

## DECK AND FENCE

**B&B Deck and Fence.** Cliff James, Owner. 6412 May Boulevard. Quality work, 25 years experience. Telephone: 703.719.7015/703.627.9935, Fax: 703.922.3779.

## QUILTS

Hand made quilts. Sally Dankers and her mother, Marjorie Parkyn, make quilts for sale. They are one of a kind and very beautiful. Call 703.971.8064 or e-mail [oraclemarjorie@aol.com](mailto:oraclemarjorie@aol.com).

## SPEECH-LANGUAGE THERAPY SERVICES

Speech Beginnings, PLC is a speech therapy private practice in Rose Hill. We offer speech-language screenings, evaluations, therapy and consultations. Services are provided by a licensed and certified speech-language pathologist with more than 20 years experience. Please call 571.481.4344 or visit our website at [www.speechbeginnings.com](http://www.speechbeginnings.com) for more information.

## FIREWOOD

Firewood available in 3x3x1.5 ft. bundles, 2x4x8 ft. half chords, and 2x8x8 ft. chords. Will deliver in the 22310 zip code or you can pick up locally. Please request prices for delivery outside the 22310 area.

Pricing is as follows: (pickup/delivered and dumped) bundle \$60/75, half chord \$125/140, full chord \$200/230. Please call 703.509.8286 for more information.

**BOOKKEEPER NEEDED:** In need of Bookkeeper for 2 small accounts, one is a 501(c)(3); the other is home-based business. Small budget. Current records already on QuickBooks. Preferably retired person, Rose Hill neighbor. Contact Nina Tisara, 703-313-6212.

## NEED HELP?

Pet Services (dog walking, vet appointments); Errands (pharmacy, dry cleaning, drop off and pick-up product repair); Personal Shopping (grocery, post office, exchange & item returns); Vehicle Services (vehicle license & emission renewal, vehicle service repair, vehicle inspection); Home services (house sitting, light yard work, wait at home for service personnel); Travel & Transportation (transportation to and from); Medical Concierge Services (doctor appointments, pre/post operations assistance) Contact David Sell at 703-971-4716, or email [dksell@hotmail.com](mailto:dksell@hotmail.com).

## Advertising in *The Rambler*

Listing in the Business Directory is free to Rose Hill residents who are members and own their business, but placing an actual advertisement is open to all with rates per month as follows:

- \* Business card: 3 1/2" x 2", \$10
- \* Quarter page: 3 1/2" x 4 3/4", \$25
- \* Half page: 7 1/2" x 4 3/4", \$50
- \* Full page: 7 1/2" x 9 3/4", \$100

Ads may be bought for either one month only, month-to-month, or as many months in advance as desired. Our newsletter is published 9 times a year, excluding July, August, and December.

Advertising in *The Rambler* is an excellent way to reach the 700+ homes in our community. In addition, the ads are placed on our website, [www.myRoseHill.com](http://www.myRoseHill.com), for the world to see.

Anyone interested in placing an ad may call me at 703.625.7046. Artwork can be sent to [richtdowney@gmail.com](mailto:richtdowney@gmail.com) in tiff or jpeg format or hardcopy mailed to P.O. Box 10891, Alexandria, VA 22310. Checks made out to RHCA should be included with ads and sent to the P.O. Box.

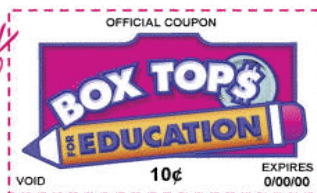


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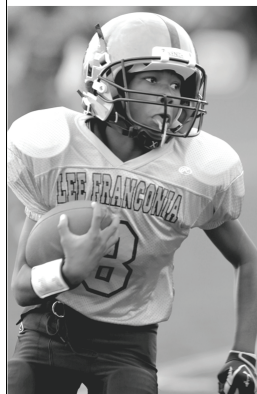
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**Saturday, April 28, 2012**  
**Sponsored by the Franconia Museum**

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April 13, 2012

Supervisor Jeffrey McKay  
Lee District  
6121 Franconia Road  
Franconia, VA 22310

RE: 2013 Budget

Dear Supervisor McKay:

While I appreciate the opportunity to again participate in the group you asked to study and make recommendations on the County budget for Fiscal Year 2013, I would be remiss if I did not make you aware of my deep concern about the direction of public safety over the last three years. I believe the County has gone too far in reducing the police presence in the community.

My belief is based on the fact that there has been steady erosion in the number of police on the street. Particularly at a time when 'community policing' is being touted as a policy to make us all feel safer. Also, close to home, the officers at Franconia have more people to protect because of the new Laurel Hill development in Lorton. I am perplexed that the proposed new South County precinct does not yet appear on the capital improvement program.

I view the proposed budget as being adequate to maintain the status quo and pay the bills for the personnel and operational expenses. The difference between the adopted and actual police budget for FY 2012 proved that the original allocation was insufficient to even maintain the status quo. About the only thing the proposed increase for FY 2013 will do is recognize actual expenses.

I have been told that the \$2 million increase will address the cut in overtime from last year. My investigation does not substantiate that position. Further, I cannot find any increase in the number of patrol officers, leaving us more than 50 positions less than where we were several years back. Overtime helps add to police presence without residual costs.

Here in Rose Hill, we continually have identified public safety as our Number One concern. We favor a reallocation of County funds to support additional police protection. One area would be the transfer the costs of a portion of the school resource officers from the police budget to the school budget where it belongs. We do not support any increase in the school budget. Nor do we support any decrease in the resources allocated to the classrooms and the teachers. If the budget group's analysis is accurate there are adequate funds hidden among carryover funds to cover the cost of the SROs.

I write this on behalf of our Association in the hope that you and the Board will continue to realize there is wide community support for our police. Unlike the schools, parks, human services, etc., there is no organized advocacy group for the police. So, we here in Rose Hill just holler a little louder to make our point!

Sincerely,

Carl L. Sell, Jr.,  
President