

# Neighborhood News

Jefferson Manor Citizens' Association  
P.O. Box 4104, Alexandria, VA 22303

**JMCA Meeting**  
**Tuesday**  
**May 21, 2002**  
**Mount Eagle**  
**Elementary**  
**7:00pm – Doors**  
**Open**  
**7:30 Meeting Begins**

## AGENDA

Announcements

House of the Month

**Speaker:**  
**Know Your Energy Provider**  
**Options**

**Adjourn**  
**Cookies and drinks.**

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## April Showers bring May Flowers.

We should be grateful for all the much needed rain we have received. These spring showers have put the neighborhood into bloom. Most of the new sod planted along the construction streets has taken well (water new sod often, rain alone won't do it). Jefferson Manor has never looked better. The mild winter sure helped the road improvements roll right along. The entire crew from top to bottom has done an outstanding job and should be commended. It should be noted that Charlie Wheeler (lead man on the project) has retired and gone into, of all things, real estate. The new project engineer, Mike Knizner (703-324-5117), will be finishing the project in the near future. Be sure and let him know if something in your yard needs finishing, fencing etc., as they will be done soon. That's right the road project will be done soon. Done for now that is. And we are very grateful for all we've gotten so far. Thank you to Lee District Supervisor, Dana Kauffman for being our advocate through out the many years it has taken to get our roads fixed. Hats off to Mr. Kauffman for all he has done on our behalf.

This is a good opportunity to catch up many of our new residents on the history of the Jefferson Manor Community Improvement Project saga. In a nutshell many years ago the work was planned in four Phases. The section of this neighborhood that is having its streets and sidewalks replaced now is known as Phase 1 and Phase 2a. Basically the rest of the neighborhood is Phase 2b, Phase 3, and Phase 4. Phase 1 and 2 are being paid for with a combination of bond revenues, federal loans, and state dollars. Phase 2b, Phase 3, and Phase 4 were not included in the original budget and we must find an additional 7 to 8 million dollars to complete the entire project. Mr. Kauffman's outlook on this is as follows, *“Several of the 5 current Neighborhood Projects in the County are under budget. While we will not have definite figures until the projects are finished sometime next year, there may be enough money left over to fund Phase IIb in Jefferson Manor. Jefferson Manor is at the top of the consideration list for any leftover money from these projects. We have also completed the first and most important step toward funding Phase III & IV. The Board of Supervisors recently approved a Neighborhood Improvement and Revitalization bond referendum for 2005. Since the bond is still several years away, we do not yet have a potential bond amount or a list of potential projects. I will be working with staff from Housing and Community Development and the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services to ensure that Jefferson Manor does get put on the list when it is developed. In the meantime I encourage your community to contact Chairman Hanley and voice your support for the Neighborhood Improvement and Revitalization bond referendum in 2005.”*

What that means is that we will lobby furiously in 2004 to get ourselves back on everybody's radar screen and hope there is enough money in the County coffers to turn Phase III & IV into reality. So take a break from worrying about the roads and focus on other ways to make Jefferson Manor an even better place to live!

**Tom Rickert Pres. JMCA**

## DELEGATE TOM BOLVIN'S CAPITOL REPORT

### The 2002 General Assembly Session in Review

#### State Budget & Human Services

To give you the most comprehensive overview of the General Assembly, I am breaking the various bills and issues of the legislature down into three articles where I'm going to focus on 2-3 issues per article. The issues that I'll address range from the state budget to transportation and everything in between, to include business, education, law enforcement, veterans affairs, consumer safety and human services. This article will deal with the state budget and funding for human services. I've chosen these two issues first because of the great concern over the budget and proposed cuts in the human services budget. As everyone knows Virginia, like most states, is dealing with painful budget challenges. Gone are the days when dot-com ventures and the technology boom of the late 1990's filled state coffers with tax revenue. The national economic slowdown, the considerable downturn in Northern Virginia's high-tech economy and September 11th have collectively forced us to recalculate our revenue and spending projections. We had to make a lot of tough choices to close the \$1.3 billion shortfall, but I'm pleased to say that while no one enjoyed making these difficult cuts, it was done in a mostly bipartisan fashion. Furthermore, we also worked hard to ensure that our most vulnerable citizens were protected.

#### BUDGET

Here are some of the key budget amendments that are most important to our district and our families. Many of the following issues were also the subject of letters, emails or phone calls to my office.

- By prioritizing how education funds are spent, we were able to cover 94% of the Tier 1 deficiencies in the Standards of Quality funding by FY 2004.
- Over \$12 million was restored to maintain Virginia's state parks and conservation efforts. Additionally, over \$2 million was made available to mitigate nonpoint pollution in our lakes, rivers, and bays.
- We restored \$652 million in the Transportation Trust Fund.
- We restored \$13 million for the Game & Inland Fisheries Protection Fund.

#### HEALTH and HUMAN SERVICES

##### Objectives:

1. Focus on preserving the safety net of services at the community level.
2. Preserve statewide programs for low-income, children, disabled and elderly.
3. Restoring funding to the core services that serve people.

Eliminating expenditures that did not have a statewide focus, consolidating programs with a similar purpose and maximizing the availability of federal funds met these objectives. The results of these efforts are as follows:

- Medicaid - \$664 million is provided in the Medicaid Program
- FAMIS - \$2.2 million is added to for children's health insurance
- Foster Care & Adoptions - \$38 million to preserve foster care and adoptions
- Comprehensive Services Act (CSA) \$18.8 million was restored to the fund
- Mental Retardation Services \$35.5 million to preserve program funding
- Medicaid Funding for Mentally Retarded Citizens in State Facilities \$27.4 million to meet projected shortfall
- Community Services Boards \$16.6 million to mitigate proposed reductions
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) \$3.7 million in general funds was restored to and \$29.5 million in TANF funds was dedicated to fulfill the goals of welfare reform
- Community-Based Competitive Grants \$24.1 million is available for variety of programs.

If you have any specific questions about these issues or any legislation, please contact my office at (703)719-7301. You may also research any bill in the Virginia Legislature online at: <http://legis.state.va.us/>  
The site is very user friendly.

Delegate Tom Bolvin

## MESSAGE FROM SUPERVISOR KAUFFMAN

Opportunity comes when your back is up against the wall.

It's becoming an annual rite of spring, as predictable as April's changeable weather-Fairfax Country's budget versus Fairfax County Public School's budget. Since the State isn't going to start funding its fair share of education any time soon, we had best start being creative about funding. It's time to consider alternatives that will let us keep our valued school programs and make them available to all our children. We can approach these tough budget times as an opportunity for finding win-win alternatives that save programs and dollars.

While such programs as language immersion and fourth grade strings are not core education programs, they are popular and have strong parental support. Accordingly, they are often viewed as integral parts of our school system. Instead of risking their loss to funding shortfalls every year, why not fund them as we already fund programs such as School Age Child Care (SAAC)?

SAAC is an optional service offered to students and parents. It is self-sustaining with a sliding fee scale based ability to pay. We should at least consider funding non-core instructional programs that are not Federally or State mandated in the same fashion. As a parent myself, I would rather pay some nominal amount to keep my child in a valued program than see the program dropped altogether. For this to work, we must peg payments to a sliding scale. We can't let our school system become a rich man's school system.

Admittedly, we probably wouldn't even consider such an idea if fiscal times weren't tight. However, they are and we see no relief least through the midterm. I challenge us all-Board of Supervisors, School Board, and parents to engage in an open dialogue. We gain nothing by continuing our annual rite of spring where we waste energy on political posturing and blame shifting that avoids coming to terms with bottom-line financial realities.

A New Tool For Building Schools and Other Public improvements The disconnect between the pace of development and the building of schools and other public facilities is obvious. Land-use regulation in Fairfax County is overdue for a change. We've fought long and hard to get the state to give us more controls to manage growth and to protect the few tools we have. State elected officials (who never have to deal with land use) say local leaders have all the tools they need to balance development impacts. Local elected officials lament the "Mother, may I?" process they must follow in Virginia to secure powers from those same legislators. We lack the type of adequate public facilities ordinance that lets Maryland's local government say "no" to development until needed facilities are in place because the State has not given us the legal authority to enact such an ordinance.

I have asked the Board of Supervisors to consider adding a cash proffer option to the system of voluntary developer proffers now in use when a property is rezoned. Cash proffers would be in addition to the proffers we already get today, such as expanded tree save areas, spot road improvements, recreational amenities, and the like. County consultants estimate that this change could raise \$23 million a year for public improvements by encouraging residential developers to pay about \$11,000 for each house they build. (About \$12 million a year of the total would be available for school construction.) With the State's recent refusal to allow a sales tax referendum for school construction, this potential tool is the only new resource available.

A cash proffer system has been successfully used in Chesterfield County in south central Virginia. Some have expressed concerns that developers would simply add any additional fees to the price of a house. That may well be true, but we would be naive to think that isn't taking place under the voluntary proffer system we have today.

Want to know more? Check out my web site at [www.co.fairfax.va.us/gov/bos/ld/ld.htm](http://www.co.fairfax.va.us/gov/bos/ld/ld.htm), click on News Updates, then click on "A New Approach to Managing Growth." The Fairfax County Planning Commission is now studying this proposal and will make its recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. There will be a public hearing early this summer.

Are you tired of paying taxes, when others who live in Fairfax County don't? Well here is your chance to make them pay also. Call the Fairfax County TARGET Hotline at (703) 324-3767 and report vehicles normally parked in Fairfax County with out-of-state license plates, or without a valid County decal. When you call please be prepared to give license plate number, state, the address parked at (if known) length of time it has been parked in Fairfax County (if known). Please state whether the vehicle is a car, truck or motorcycle. You may leave your name or report this information anonymously. The more information you can provide, the faster we can research the property for proper taxation. Please be assured that we WILL follow up on ALL leads and assess all vehicles subject to the county's personal property tax.

## Neighborhood Crime Watch News

*Coming to a street near you... Our Neighborhood Crime Watch!* We are currently recruiting volunteers and a scheduling coordinator for our Neighborhood Crime Watch program and need you! What can you do to help?

**VOLUNTEER, VOLUNTEER, VOLUNTEER!** Only 1-2 hours a week! There are different ways that you can participate in this effort that contribute greatly to our neighborhood watch efforts:

- **Coordinate:** We need one person to coordinate this effort.
- **Foot Patrol:** Do this in pairs or while you walk your dog.
- **Vehicular Patrol:** Cover a wider area in less time in the comfort of your vehicle.
- **No Patrol:** Sit on your porch or at your window and observe.

Please contact Shelley Baker at 703-329-7328 (or at shelleylbaker@yahoo.com) with your availability. We have also set up an internet bulletin board to communicate neighborhood news. *Please visit .....*

Again, thank you to all who have participated thus far, and we look forward to making Jefferson Manor an even better place to live.

**Local Business Review:** In an effort to encourage those business that are within walking distance of our houses and who's actions can effect both the quality of our lives and our property values, we will try to highlight one a month. With a nod to Fast Eddy's (which has been both supportive and featured in the past) our first highlight will be one of our more obscure neighbors. Small independent businesses and restaurants surround us. One of which is Chin's Kitchen. Its aroma is hard to miss if one is walking up North Kings on an evening. It's a prime example of the corner Chinese take out one might find in NY. Food is what they are about, the interior is spartan and purely for waiting out of the elements, but they carry all the favorites; sweet and sour, happy family, egg rolls as well as some truly ethnic cuisine. I think you'll find it better than many of the sit down Chinese restaurants in the area. The portions are generous the, food is tasty, served hot and carefully packaged for the trip home. At around \$7 for a dinner entree and \$4 for a lunch entree it's a good value. The only word of caution is they are cash only. Bon appetit!

*This review by JD Tucker.....If you would like to do a local business review call us.*

## **Mosby's Confederacy Spring Tour** Civil War Tour June 1, 2002

**Sponsored by the Stuart - Mosby Historical Society - Tour Leaders will be Don Hakenson & Gregg Dudding**

**Tour Agenda - Leaving Truro Rectory in Fairfax at 8:30 am and returning around 5 to 6 pm Fairfax Station, Brimstone Hill (Arundel's), Burke Station, Mrs. Violet's House, Mrs. Lee's House, Pohick Church, lunch at a fast food restaurant, Rose Hill House, Sharon Chapel, Goodings Tavern and more!**

**Also Featuring Dr. Kenneth Stuart McAtee & Tom Evans**

**Cost for Members \$35 Non Members \$40**

**Attendees are responsible for the cost of lunch.**

**Reserve your seat by sending us your name, address and phone number at [Wdudding@cox.rr.com](mailto:Wdudding@cox.rr.com)**

**Or Contact Don Hakenson at 703-971-4984**

**Make checks payable to: Don Hakenson**

**4708 Lillian Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22310**

# House of the Month



Congradulations to Eddie and Dorothy Nichols of 5914 Monticello Road. The Nichols bought their house in Dec. 2001 and say they are still not done yet. Great job, keep up the good work.

## Important Telephone Numbers

<b>Animal Warden</b> (barking dogs)	830-3310
<b>Police</b>	
Emergency	911
Nonemergency	691-2132
Narcotics	249-7831
Impoundment (junk cars)	280-0582/ -0587
<b>Post Office</b>	960-4440/ -4456
<b>Sidewalks (impassible)</b>	359-1271-
<b>Street lights (malfunctions)</b>	934-5540
<b>Trash</b>	
Bulk pickup	550-3481
Unhealthy conditions	246-2300
Water covers	549-7080
VDOT (potholes)	339-5556

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\$50 – Half Page

\$100 – Whole Page

This summer we will again hold Lee Nights, our second free summer concert series. Contributions from local businesses and the Friends of Lee District Park fund these concerts in the amphitheater at Lee District Park. Last summer, in spite of Code Red days, heat advisories, and threatening thunderstorms, people turned out to picnic, dance, and just sit back and enjoy the music. We've got a great musical line-up for Wednesday evenings this summer and I understand that the Park Authority has already placed its order for good weather and no mosquitoes. The concert schedule brochure will be available shortly-please call my office if you would like one mailed to you.  
Dana Kauffman

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## Hope Church

### Hope Church ...

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- ▶ is a thinking church that doesn't ask you to check your brain at the door
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- ▶ is a relevant church with a modern message

**Sunday Worship 10:30 AM**  
**Children's Education time 10:45 AM**

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Alexandria, VA 22310  
703-960-8772



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## Summer Schedule:

Concerts are held Wednesday evenings June 5 through August 28 from 7:30-8:30 pm in the Lee District Park Amphitheater. All concerts are free.

- June 5 Fairfax City Concert Band (Classic/Big Band)
- June 12 Squeeze Bayou (Cajun)
- June 19 US Navy Band "Country Current" (Country)
- June 26 Edwin Ortiz Orquest! La Romans (Salsa)
- July 3 Iona (Celtic)
- July 10 Pan Masters Steel Orchestra (Steel Band)
- July 17 National Concert Band (Big Band)
- July 24 Fairfax Symphony Summer Band (Classic)
- July 31 Jaleo (Rock/Salsa)

- August 7 John McCutcheon (Folk)
- August 14 German Band "City of Fairfax" (German Music)
- August 21 Rhonda Winsent and the Rags (Bluegrass)
- August 28 The Fabulous Hubcaps (Rock & Roll)

## USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

A very important number for parents!	Poison Center	202-625-3333
When you smell gas...	Washington Gas	750-1000
Who turned out the lights?	Virginia Power	888-667-3000
Why is water gushing from the sidewalk?	Fairfax County Water Authority	698-5613
Yuck.	Sanitary Sewer Backup	323-1211
I didn't get a phone book	Bell Atlantic	800-275-2355
Where did they move the DMV?	Fairfax County Information	324-3185
	24 Hour Recording	324-INFO (4636)

Never be afraid to ask for help... These organizations are there for you!	Child Abuse/Neglect	324-7400
	Counseling/Suicide Prevention	527-4077
	Mental Health Emergency (24 hr)	573-5679
	Spouse/Sexual Abuse	360-7273

There's a racoon in my bathroom	Animal Control	830-3310
Time for a new cat	Animal Shelter	830-1100
I think I need a garage	Building Permit Info	222-0801
Why is that garage leaning?	Code Enforcement Branch	324-1937
Where can we have our family reunion?	Community & Recreation Services	324-4386
My new car is a lemon!	Consumer Affairs	222-8435
The kids want a dog	Dog Licenses	830-1103
How do I get there from here?	Fairfax Connector	339-7200
The kids are stuck in the tree	Fire/Rescue Non Emergency	246-2126
The neighbors are rats - literally	Health Department	246-2411
Here comes the judge...	Legal Aid	246-4500
How do I get there from here (part 2)?	Metro Bus/Rail schedule info	202-637-7000
Before you dig that veggie garden...	Miss Utility	800-257-7777
Where did my bike go?	Police, Non-emergency	691-2131
What do we do with all these newspapers?	Recycling Infoline	324-5052
Is that snow?	Fairfax Co. School Closing Hotline	246-2500
New business? New life?	Tax Information	222-8234
They said - You said - Help!	Tenant/Landlord Commission	222-8435
The stuff in the attic is out of here!	Trash Collection/Special Pickups	550-3481
A pothole swallowed my car	Virginia Dept of Transportation	383-8368
Time to renew the drivers license	Virginia Dept of Motor Vehicles	761-4655
This party is nuts - I'm changing sides!	Votor Registration	222-0776
Where to put the garage?	Zoning Enforcement	324-1300

## USEFUL INTERNET SITES

Useful information about Fairfax Co.	<a href="http://www.co.fairfax.va.us/">http://www.co.fairfax.va.us/</a>
More useful information about Fairfax Co.	<a href="http://www.fairfaxnews.com/">http://www.fairfaxnews.com/</a>
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Things to do and see in the DC area	<a href="http://www.kreative.net/cooper/TourOfDC/sites/">http://www.kreative.net/cooper/TourOfDC/sites/</a>
All things Federal	<a href="http://www.fedworld.gov/">http://www.fedworld.gov/</a>

# The Real Estate Market is Hot!

We have seen a dramatic rise in Jefferson Manor house prices in recent months. Just look at the Market Activity Report below...

Status Group: Active # Listings 2 Avg List Price \$172,950.00 Avg DOM-Prop 6

Status	Street Num	Street Name	BR	FB	HB	List Price	Sold Price	Settle Date	DOM
CNTG/NO KO	5851	MONTICELLO	2	2		\$141,000			6
CNTG/KO	2711	ALBEMARLE	2	2		\$204,900			0

Status Group: Pending # Listings 3 Avg List Price \$145,300.00 Avg DOM-Prop 5

Status	Street Num	Street Name	BR	FB	HB	List Price	Sold Price	Settle Date	DOM
CONTRACT	6021	WILLIAMSBURG	2	1		\$164,900		12-APR-2002	1
CONTRACT	6102	NORTH KINGS	2	1		\$111,000		29-MAY-2002	0
CONTRACT	2813	ALBEMARLE	2	1	0	\$160,000		31-MAY-2002	9

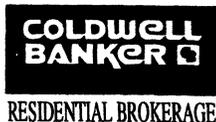
Status Group: Sold # Listings 5 Avg List Price \$167,480.00 Avg Sale Price \$169,750.00 Avg DOM-Prop 3

The average property sold for 101.36% of the listed price.

Status	Street Num	Street Name	BR	FB	HB	List Price	Sold Price	Settle Date	DOM
SOLD	5918	WILLIAMSBURG	2	1		\$145,000	\$148,000	28-FEB-2002	2
SOLD	5921	EDGEHILL	2	1	1	\$164,900	\$165,000	25-MAR-2002	3
SOLD	2702	ALBEMARLE	2	1	1	\$175,000	\$170,000	29-MAR-2002	5
SOLD	2821	FORT	2	1		\$160,000	\$171,000	13-MAY-2002	2
SOLD	2800	FARMINGTON	2	1		\$192,500	\$194,750	15-MAY-2002	2

There are so few houses for sale that all the available houses either have offers on them or are already under contract. If you have thought about selling, this is an ideal time to do it. I would be happy to give you a private in house evaluation of what your house will bring in the marketplace. I have lived in and sold Jeff. Manor for over 10 years and will get you the most money – with the least hassle.

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