

YARD SALE

Please join the Ravensworth Farm Civic Association for a Spring Yard Sale in the parking lot of the Ravensworth Farm pool on May 6th (rain date: May 13th) from 8am to Noon.

Lot will be open at 7am for sellers to set up their goods.

We'll update with any more details as we get them.

Join the Facebook event invite here to receive updates:

<https://facebook.com/events/s/rfca-spring-yard-sale/610984797129047/>

Looking forward to this and seeing you all there!

RFCA President Marcie Winitt

MARCH 2023 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Information Compiled by Ginger Rogers, RFCA Recording Secretary

On March 23, 2023, the in-person General Membership meeting was held at the Ravensworth Elementary School cafeteria. This is the first time back at the school since the pandemic started. The meeting was also broadcast live on Facebook on the Ravensworth Farm Facebook page. It's great to be back!

Thirty-five residents attended and sampled treats provided by the eateries at the Ravensworth Shopping Center to include Kilroy's, Jersey Mike's, Hong Kong Express, Dairy Queen, Swiss Bakery, and Anita's. I also spotted some treats brought by residents! Thank you all!

The minutes from the October 20, 2022, General Membership Meeting were approved.

Board of Director Elections: The election of the directors will occur on May 25, 2023 at the General Membership Meeting. The Association is looking for volunteers to fill these positions. Current board members served from 3 – 12 years, and three are planning to leave at the end of their term: Marcie Winitt, President, Richard Hildebrand, 2nd VP, and Diwakar Sharma,

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Article I, Section 3, of the Civic Association's By-Laws provides that the Association shall be strictly non-partisan, non-political, and non-sectarian. Accordingly, the invitation of elected officials and other public figures to speak at Association meetings, and the inclusion of paid political or commercial advertisements in the Farmer or in the attached flyers, do not constitute endorsements by the Association.

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IMPORTANT WEB LINKS:

Join the RFCA & receive the Ravensworth Farm Directory through this web link:

<https://www.ravensworthfarm.org/join>

Subscribe to the RFCA mailing list to receive important email blasts and the Farmer (scroll down to the bottom of the page for the form to subscribe):

<https://www.ravensworthfarm.org/>

Join the Ravensworth Farm Facebook page for community sharing and discussions and event updates:

<https://m.facebook.com/groups/134665557176/?ref=share&mibextid=q5o4bk>

RAVENSWORTH FARM CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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Please help fill these open positions with the RFCA!

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**President, 2nd Vice President, Recording Secretary,
Corresponding Secretary, Green Committee Lead,
& Distribution for The Farmer**

**HELP
WANTED**

**Please contact Marcie Winitt (prez@ravensworthfarm.org)
for additional information or to volunteer.**

Association Meetings & Deadlines 2023

| MONTH | BOARD MEETING/FARMER DEADLINE/FLYERS DUE | DETAILS |
|-------|--|--|
| April | 12 | Board Meeting |
| May | 3 | Board Meeting |
| May | 6 | Yard sale at the Ravensworth Farm Pool (Rain date: May 13) |
| May | 25 | General Membership Meeting * |

* The May 25 General Membership Meeting will be held in-person at the Ravensworth Elementary School cafeteria. (If this meeting will be streamed live, it will be broadcast on the [Ravensworth Farm Facebook page](#).)

All meetings are open to residents of Ravensworth Farm. Unless noted otherwise, all meetings are 7:30pm online. For a link to join, contact Diwakar Sharma, Corresponding Secretary, at: CorSec@ravensworthfarm.org

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WHO PAYS THE COST OF DOING NOTHING?

Residents do.

- Encroaching floodplain on property lines
- Lower property values
- Rising cost of insurance coverage
- Mosquito and rodent infestation
- Sewage, pollution, toxic sludge and health dangers
- Wildlife impacts
- Invasive plant infiltration
- Loss of park land and recreational opportunities

and so much more

The Board of Supervisors must urgently evaluate all options, strongly consider public opinion, identify a solution, and SAVE LAKE ACCOTINK.

To those who say "Lake Accotink is not sustainable ... the lake is not natural ... let it return to its natural state..."

Consider that – no matter what – it will NEVER BE natural. Any solution will be man-made and require regular management and maintenance.

The lake is too large to safely fill in without serious repercussions and dangers to society, wildlife and sanitation.

We have heard that the Board of Supervisors will not announce the decision about Lake Accotink until AFTER the election in November.

We cannot wait! We SHOULD NOT wait!

We MUST TAKE ACTION NOW!

Please, DO SOMETHING to SAVE LAKE ACCOTINK!

There are many things you can do to help:

- Contact all of the members of the Board of Supervisors and let them know how you feel.
- Reach out to your friends and neighbors and make sure they know what is happening.
- Put a yard sign in front of your house.
- Reach out to Save Lake Accotink and volunteer to participate in an event.

Visit SaveLakeAccotink.org for more information.

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UPCOMING SESSION:

- Wednesday, April 19th, 5 PM – 7 PM (Maggiano's catering dinner is provided)
- Saturday, April 29th, 10 AM – 12 PM (Panera catering lunch is provided)

Seminar location: 3918 Prosperity Ave. #114, Fairfax VA 22031



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Corresponding Secretary. Ginger Rogers, Recording Secretary and Marcie Winitt have agreed to run again if there are no volunteers for these positions. **The Association would like more volunteers involved in the community – please seriously consider running for any of the board positions.**

Inverchapel Traffic Calming Measures: A virtual meeting was held on March 21, 2023. The Association Task Force in conjunction with Fairfax County have been working to find a solution to reduce speed on Inverchapel Road, especially at the curve at the Church. The purpose of the meeting was to explain the process, the proposal, receive feedback and answer any questions the attendees had. The Association followed county procedures by forwarding a request to begin the study to the Braddock District Supervisor's office. A speed survey was conducted and the results were sent to the Task Force. A canvass was conducted and there were many that do and many that don't want speed humps/bumps/tables. Another canvass/petition to reject the use of speed humps/bumps/tables was forwarded to the Task Force and indicated 25 residents were against the devices. A plan was developed for six speed humps and one speed table, and the placements of the humps/table were agreed to by the affected residents. The next step is to send ballots to Inverchapel Rd and Halleck Pl residents for their input as to yes or no for the devices. A majority (51%) of residents are required for approval to move toward installation. At the end of the General Meeting, Peter Tran, Task Force Lead, made his case for installing the humps/table. The main goal is to save lives. During the 24-hour period of the Speed Study, 878 cars traveled through Inverchapel with 15% going over 35 mph, or 130 cars/day. The devices will be a reminder to slow down and discourage outsiders from using Inverchapel as a cut-through.

Budget: Kristoffer Hull, RFCA Treasurer, explained that costs for the printing of The Farmer have gone up considerably, about three times more, than when it was printed by Key School. Treasurer Hull explained that the teacher in charge of production retired and the school made the decision not to continue this activity. As a result, there will be a \$6,000 shortfall for this year. What measures can be taken to prevent the unsustainable costs: 1) Increase ad rates? 2) Increase Membership rates? Currently the Association has \$50K held in reserves in case of a lawsuit. Now, the Association is purchasing "Single Event" Liability Insurance policies to cover Association events. The cost is around \$100/event. Therefore, the Association is putting some of the reserves back into events such as catering this summer's BBQ, the Taste of Ravensworth, and the Fall Festival. The RFCA provided treats and coffee for last year's Holiday Lights Judging event at Lisa and Bill's house.

The Farmer: Treasurer Hull and 2nd VP Hildebrand presented an overview of plans discussed by the board regarding The Farmer. **The problem:** The Key School will no longer print it, and the Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts are no longer able to deliver it. As previously mentioned, outside vendor printing costs are three times more expensive than the school. And, since September, the Association has been relying on volunteers to deliver it. The Association has reached out to other schools and volunteer organizations but has not received any takers. After much consideration, the board decided to reduce the number of printed issues to three per year, coinciding with the General Membership Meetings in October, March, and May. Per the By-Laws all residents must be notified in writing, in advance of the meetings. All issues of the Farmer from 2006 to present are available on the Ravensworth Farm website at this link:

<https://www.ravensworthfarm.org/past-newsletters>

This process will begin with the new FY, October 2023. The advantages include:

- Reducing overall costs down to \$2,885.52
- Balancing ad revenue to approximately match at \$2625.00
- Less reliance on volunteers for delivery
- Can be revised next year based on feedback

Ravensworth Farm Swim and Racquet Club: Jen Auble advised that the Early Bird sign-up for reduced rates will end on April 7, 2023.

Levels of membership include: Family, Couple, and Seniors. She explained that rates have gone up a bit due to increases in their expenses.

Rates and sign-up are available on the Pool's website:

<https://www.ravensworthfarmpool.com>

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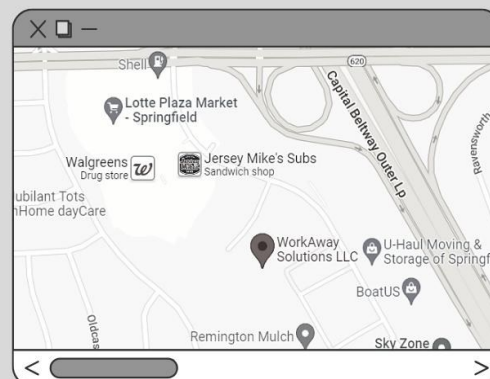
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There have been some upgrades over the winter: white coat and tile work on the pool interior and the tennis court has been resurfaced, with another coat planned. Rumors have it that there may be a pickleball court striping along with a tennis court.

Feature Presentation – Braddock District Supervisor James Walkinshaw

County Budget: Presented to the Board of Supervisors (BOS). Tax Rate of \$1.11/\$100 value to remain the same. Property is assessed on current market value; there is an appeal process. The Board of Supervisors controls the tax rate, and when the budget is adopted in May, the BOS may reduce the rate. Supervisor Walkinshaw mentioned that Real Estate Taxes pay for an increase in services and that the BOS is limited by the state on how it can raise revenue.

Pay raise for the Board: Supervisor Walkinshaw explained that the raise is for the next BOS, in 2024. It was calculated using the average rate of county employees over eight years.

Traffic Calming on Inverchapel: Supervisor Walkinshaw explained that post COVID there has been an increase in aggressive driving and there are a number of areas seeking traffic calming methods. There were 22 pedestrian fatalities in 2022. For Inverchapel Rd, 51% of the residents have to say "yes". Many areas do not meet the 51% threshold.

1. What about speed cameras? Supervisor Walkinshaw advised that there is a 6 months-1 year pilot program with speed cameras at several school and work zones. The use of speed cameras is not meant as a revenue generator, as in some areas, and the cameras are expensive.

Lake Accotink: The comment period of the process is midway through – all public comments were due by April 1, 2023. The BOS will review in the Spring. It will be open to the public with an opportunity to ask questions. Supervisor Walkinshaw stated that he wants to find a way to dredge Lake Accotink.

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Sampling of Q and A:

1. When would dredging start if dredging is approved? We need to see the public comments to figure out the next move. Even without COVID dredging would not have started until 2023. If all funding is in place, it will be 3-5 years before the project starts.
2. How will the birds and other wildlife be affected if the dredging does not occur? It will probably take another 3-6 months to study this issue.
3. When is the decision going to be made? Don't know yet. We don't want to rush. Want to review all the comments and re-study the previous proposal.
4. Can we see the comments? The FAQ will be updated. The comments aren't published since those commenting may not want to be publicly identified. Could request through a Virginia Freedom of Information Action (FOIA) application.

The next General Membership Meeting will be held on May 25, 2023 – Please Attend!

MORE ON THE TRAFFIC CALMING PROPOSAL

Compiled by Jennifer Auble

The following summary from the Traffic Calming Proposal on Inverchapel Road from the virtual community meeting on March 21, 2023 was provided on the Ravensworth Farm Facebook page:

- RF Resident went to the RFCA, RFCA made a request to monitor speed. The road met two criteria for possible installation. Average speed was 37 mph and 34 mph, and the criteria was above 35 mph.
- There will be a vote coming soon and 51% or 76 households of the 150 households along Inverchapel Drive/ Halleck Place have to approve the speed humps/table. This is not open to all of Ravensworth Farm.
- The cost is \$70K to install the speed humps/table.
- You did not need to attend the meeting in order to vote on the proposal.
- The recorded video from the meeting will be available online once it is posted.
- Ballots will be distributed at a later time to vote on the final proposal.
- Task force will be responsible for distributing the ballots.
- Task force members include Peter Tran as the Lead and John Ritchie (RFCA 1st VP).
- Neighbors who support and do NOT support the speed humps/table attended.

To join in the community discussion on this issue and take action, see the thread(s) on the Ravensworth Farm Facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/134665557176/permalink/10160436100122177/>

For more info on on the Fairfax County Department of Transportation Residential Traffic Administration Program (RTAP) Traffic Calming Program General Operating Procedures: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/sites/transportation/files/assets/documents/pdf/parking/rtap-general-operating-procedures.pdf>



JIM HICKEY OF RAVENSWORTH FARM RECOMMENDS:

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HOW THEY REMOVE LOGS FROM THE DAM

Article and Photos by [Steve Beste](#)

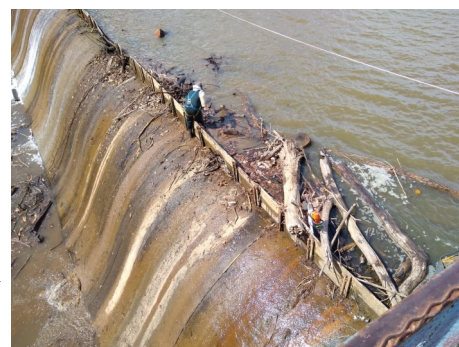


We've all seen how logs pile up at the Lake Accotink dam. From time to time, the Park Authority removes them. Here's how they do it.

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CUB SCOUT PACK 991 UPDATE



Happy Spring Friends and Neighbors,

Cub Scout Pack 991 has been staying busy. Now that Winter is over, it's time to get back outside!

Here are a few highlights of what your Scouts have been up to:

The Pinewood Derby on March 11th was a huge success. A huge thanks goes to all who volunteered and/or participated to make it happen. A special shout out to Boy Scout Troop 980, who hosted and ran the "Pit Crew." We had over 50 cars entered and the fastest ones moved on to the District Race on March 25th.

Awesome designs, along with some serious speed, was the theme of the day. Great job, all!

The Pack then marked the founding of Scouting with the annual Blue & Gold Celebration at Ravensworth Elementary School. While February 8th is the actual birthday, the Scouts had a memorable belated event on March 20th in order to maximize recognition of all hard-earned awards and achievements. To top it off, all first year Cub Scouts received their Bobcat Badge, signifying an understanding of the Scout Law, Scout Oath, and other important Scouting traditions.

Upcoming Pack Events:

April 15-16, Spring Campout at Camp Wilson (Pohick Bay)

April 17, Pack Meeting at Ravensworth Elementary School Cafeteria

April 23, Go Ape Treetop Climbing

May 6, Arrow of Light Crossover Ceremony, Camp Snyder (Haymarket)

May 27, North Springfield Pool Opening and Activities

June 26-30, District Day Camp (Occoquan Regional Park)

July 23-29, Webelos and Arrow of Light Summer Camp, Camp Ross (Goshen Scout Reservation)



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Want to join in the fun? Cub Scout Pack 991 is open to all boys and girls, Kindergarten through 5th Grade.

We meet throughout the year for many activities at Ravensworth Elementary School, the Church of Christ on Inverchapel Rd., Lake Accotink, North Springfield, and various locations in and around the local neighborhoods. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Matt Kurtz or Sean Tompkins at:

matthewlkurtz@gmail.com or robert.sean.tompkins2@gmail.com or visit <https://beascout.scouting.org/> and look us up.

You can also follow the Pack's Adventures on our Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/cubpack991>

PUTTING CHILDREN IN HARM'S WAY

I am not sure who needs education more, children or parents. Twice daily, I observe parents ignoring the procedure for the safe student drop off and pick up at the Ravensworth Elementary School and putting their children in harm's way. Letters and student take-home notices have clearly stated that parents approach the "kiss and ride" drop-off by using Gosport Drive and turning North onto Nutting and then turning right into the school parking lot. A majority of parents follow this procedure which works very efficiently and provides safety for the children. But there are several parents who insist on driving South on Nutting and parking in front of homeowner's driveways and a fire hydrant. They then leave their cars and "jaywalk" their children across Nutting to escort them to the school while dodging the Northbound traffic. On several occasions, teachers who were assigned to assist as crossing guards were almost run down by the opposing traffic.

To the parents that are doing this I have two questions. One, why are you placing your children in this harmful situation? Two, why are you teaching your children that it's okay to break the law by parking across driveways and in front of fire hydrants?

Let me educate you. According to Fairfax Ordinances, vehicles shall be kept at least 10 feet from the nearest driveway and 15 feet from the nearest fire hydrant. If you don't care about paying the fine, why not consider the safety of your child?

A Concerned Neighbor

FRIENDS OF LAKE ACCOTINK PARK (FLAP) NEWS & EVENTS

FLAP MONTHLY 2023 LAKE ACCOTINK PARK CLEAN-UP

WHEN: April 9 (also Watershed Clean-Up), May 14, June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12, December 10 (2nd Sunday of every month)

TIME: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

LOCATION: Lake Accotink Marina (at the sign-in tent)

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Questions? Contact@flapaccotink.org

CARING FOR THE POLLINATOR GARDEN (2nd Sunday of every month)

WHEN: April 9

TIME: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

LOCATION: Lake Accotink Park, Margaret Kinder Pollinator Garden – (next to the signup tent / near the restrooms)

ACTIVITIES: Work alongside our experts as they care for the pollinator plants, watering, and clean-up.

We provide tools and gloves or you can bring your own.

REGISTER: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/caring-for-the-pollinator-garden-at-lake-accotink-park-tickets-602959567297>

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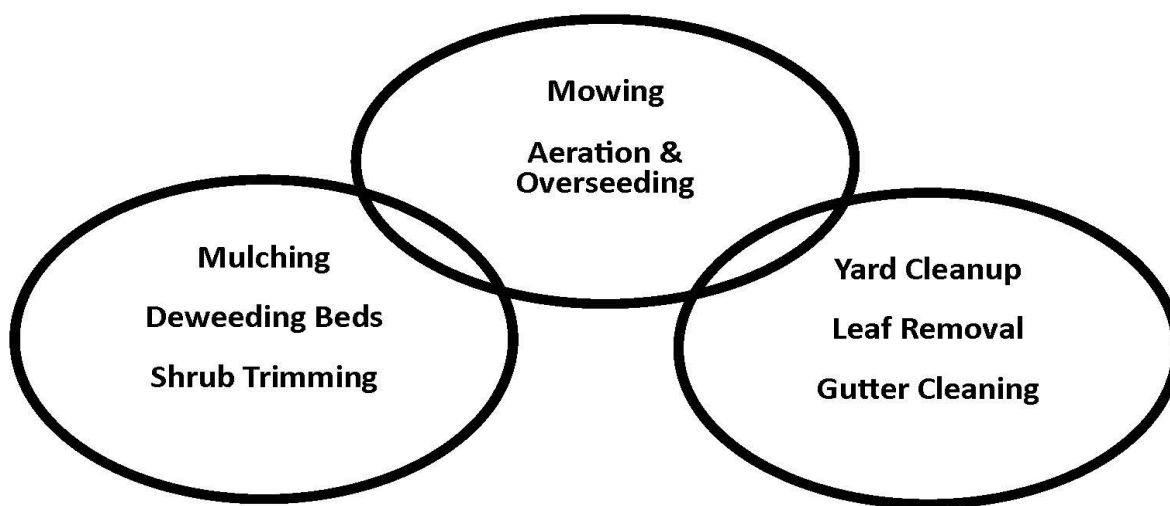
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EXPLORING THE POLLINATOR GARDEN (2nd Sunday of every month)

WHEN: April 9

TIME: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

LOCATION: Lake Accotink Park Margaret Kinder Pollinator Garden - (next to the signup tent / near the restrooms).

ACTIVITIES: Our experts will guide you through the Pollinators and Pollinator Plants, Starting and maintaining your own (any size) Pollinator Garden.

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KINGS GLEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EARTH DAY EVENT

WHEN: Saturday, April 29

TIME: 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm **Special 3 pm Kids Trash Clean-Up

LOCATION: Kings Glen Elementary School, 5401 Danbury Forest Dr., Springfield, VA

ACTIVITIES: Help out at our information table and collect trash around the school.

QUESTIONS: contact@flapaccotink.org

THE FLAP TRASH OFF: A HIGH SCHOOL SHOWDOWN!

WHAT: Quarterly Clean-Up Competition For FCPS High Schools

COMPETE AGAINST RIVAL HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS - THE TEAM THAT COLLECTS THE MOST TRASH WINS A PIZZA PARTY!

WHEN: April 22, July 23, and October 29

TIME: 12-2 pm

WHERE: Lake Accotink Park Marina

REGISTER Under Your High School at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/flap-trash-off-a-high-school-showdown-april-2023-tickets-602921443267>

EMAIL: youngflappers@flapaccotink.org to join the team!

FAIRFAX COUNTY EARTH DAY CELEBRATION (NEED FLAP VOLUNTEERS)

DATE: Saturday, April 22

TIME: 10am – 4pm (rain or shine)

LOCATION: Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly, VA

VOLUNTEER SHIFTS: Trash management shift #1 (9am-1pm) Shift #2 (1-4pm)

Compost, Recycling Station Shift #1 (9am - 1pm) Shift #2 (1-4pm)

We also need help at the FLAP information table.

QUESTIONS: contact@flapaccotink.org

PARKING IS FREE FOR VOLUNTEERS

Register Here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/earth-day-fairfax-county-flap-volunteer-positions-tickets-602967511057>

LAKE ACCOTINK PARK COMMUNITY APPRECIATION DAY

DATE: August 26 (The park was officially dedicated on August 25, 1962)

TIME: 10am – 3pm

LOCATION: Lake Accotink Marina

***ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FREE

LAKE ACCOTINK PARK JOBS

Park staff is currently looking to fill Manager-on-Duty positions, marina, and camp staff positions through April. Apply at the Lake Accotink visitor center, email the Lake Accotink Park (LAP) Manager

Dan.Grulke@fairfaxcounty.gov, or fill out the lake jobs interest form here: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/lake-accotink/apply>.

DAM INSPECTION, LOG REMOVAL and REPAIRS

On-going through mid-April

Questions? Email the LAP Park Manager Dan.Grulke@fairfaxcounty.gov

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PLAYGROUND

The playground was closed due to safety concerns. Fairfax County and FCPA staff, along with the LAP Park Manager, are conducting assessments for its replacement and possible new locations. The current proposal is to design and install two new playgrounds. We will publish additional information as it becomes available and we're hopeful the playgrounds will be open in time for summer.

Questions or comments? Email the LAP park manager Dan.Grulke@fairfaxcounty.gov

FLAP BOARD POSITIONS

FLAP board and committee positions are open – it is YOUR LAKE ACCOTINK PARK! Help make a difference for about an hour a month! Accepting candidates. Email for more information:

Contact@flapaccotink.org

DONATE TO FRIENDS OF LAKE ACCOTINK PARK

We are a 100% Volunteer organization, and 100% of all activities, events, projects, supplies and equipment are provided and or purchased by your donations. Please help us to educate and train volunteers to take care of our Lake Accotink Park and its inhabitants today and in the future. Donate in person at any event or online:

www.flapaccotink.org
or Mail: FLAP, P.O. Box 1203 Springfield VA 22151 (Make check out to FLAP).

SaveLakeAccotink.org

THE FUTURE OF LAKE ACCOTINK IS AT STAKE!

We need to come together and do something to save the lake.

To prevent the lake from filling in, the lake requires dredging to remove sediment. The most recent dredge took place in 2008.

Another dredge was approved and slated to begin this year. However, in early February, the Fairfax County Park Authority and Department of Public Works and

Environmental Services suddenly announced their recommendation to the Board of Supervisors that Lake Accotink be allowed to fill in with silt from Accotink Creek.



This is a sudden and unexpected reversal of the Board of Supervisors 2019 unanimous endorsement in favor of a financing plan for the dredging of Lake Accotink. According to James Walkinshaw, Braddock District Supervisor, additional analysis conducted since 2019 has determined that the plan is not feasible and recommends restarting the Lake Accotink Park Master Planning process.

SCAN ME



THIS COULD TAKE YEARS.

THE LAKE DOES NOT HAVE YEARS.

This additional analysis only evaluated the cost of doing the dredging project.

WHAT ABOUT THE COSTS OF NOT DOING THE DREDGING PROJECT?



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- ★ They will set up the flag at sunrise and retrieve it at sunset.

The donation for this service is a tax deductible \$40

This service takes place on the following holidays:

- President's Day 2021
- Memorial Day 2021
- 4th of July 2021
- Labor Day 2021

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BSA Troop 829
8319 Queen Elizabeth Blvd.
Annandale, VA 22003

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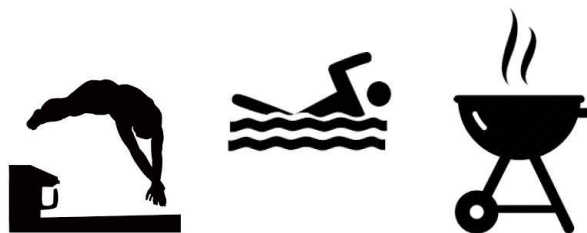
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