

Civic Pride

Newsletter of the Yorktown Civic Association

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County Board to Take Up Yorktown High Renovation

On Saturday, October 13, the Arlington County Board is scheduled to take up the use permit for construction of a \$100 million replacement of the existing Yorktown High School building. In preparation for that meeting, the high school replacement project will be the major topic at the quarterly civic association meeting on Thursday, October 4, at Yorktown High School in room 1B.

Throughout the design process, which began in early 2006, the civic association has advocated for additional off-street parking, passing a resolution in January 2007 calling for at least 400 off-street parking spaces.



However, the plan submitted to the county includes just 334 daytime off-street parking spaces. The actual daytime demand is estimated to be slightly over 500 spaces, and events at the site can require as many as 1000 parking spaces.

The new building will be about 45% larger than the size of the building prior to construction of the 2004 classroom addition. However, the footprint stays the same since the much of the new building will be three stories tall. The civic association has also expressed concerns about the appearance and layout of the proposed structure.

The new building will include a new swimming pool with 200 bleacher seats for swim meets, a new black box theater, and a new auxiliary gymnasium with its own seating. The plans currently call for renovating the existing 650 seat auditorium. However, the rest of the building will be replaced (except for the 2004 "phase I" addition). Construction is currently scheduled to begin in mid-2008 with final completion expected in 2012. Additional information on the project can

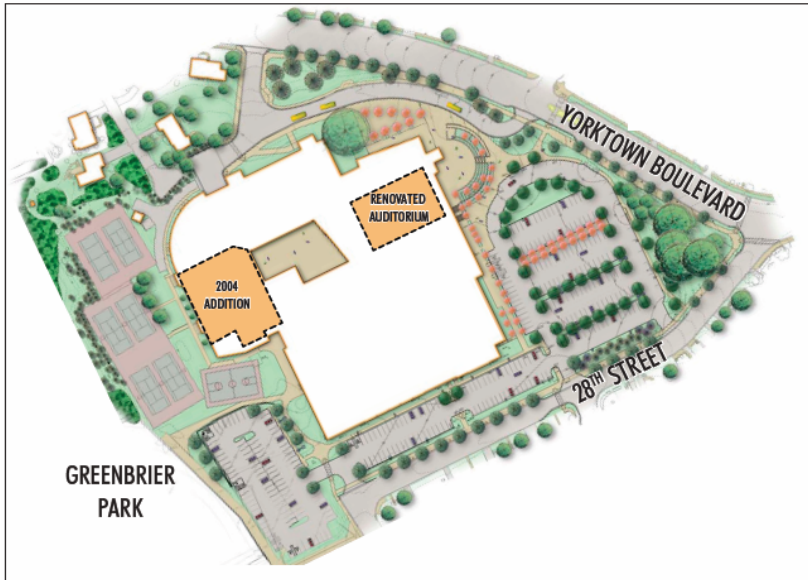
Garden City Improvements

Rumor has it that a tenant has been found for the Palladium nightclub space in the Garden City shopping area. Look for significant improvements. Additional details should be available at the Oct. 4 meeting.

be found on the civic association website at www.YorktownCivic.com. You can email your comments on the project to the County Board at countyboard@arlingtonva.us.

More Yorktown High School Building Plans

SITE PLAN



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VIEW OF 28TH STREET ELEVATION (W/SOLAR HOT WATER HEATING SYSTEM)



2007 Candidates Forums

On Oct. 17, the Donaldson Run civic association is hosting a candidates' forum at Taylor Elementary School at 7:30 p.m.

On Oct. 30, YCA will join several other neighborhoods in sponsoring a fall candidates' forum. Check www.YorktownCivic.com for details.



FRONT ENTRANCE AMPHITHEATRE

Marymount University Expansion Approved by County Board

On July 9, the County Board brought to an end 18 months of discussions and reviews of a proposal by Marymount University to replace the existing 26th Street/Old Dominion surface parking lot with a new classroom, dormitory and underground parking structure.

The final plans include just under 240 beds in the apartment-style dormitory and 370 parking spaces, which represents a net increase of 201 spaces over the current surface lot. The classroom and offices will be contained in a 3-story 52,000 building.

A new pedestrian bridge – as shown in the picture to the right – will be built over Yorktown Boulevard to connect the new buildings to the rest of the campus.

Original plans for the site also included an auditorium. However, that component of the project was dropped to allow room for greater building setbacks and reduced height of the remaining buildings.

Information on the project can be found on the civic association website, as well as on a webpage set up by the county that lists documentation on the project at:

<http://www.arlingtonva.us/Departments/CPHD/Forums/Marymount/Marymountmain.aspx>

Greenbrier Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Held on September 15

Years of planning and construction came to an official end on Saturday, September 15, with a ribbon cutting ceremony at the newly-renovated Greenbrier Park, next to Yorktown High School. The ceremony featured speeches by County Board Chairman Paul Ferguson, School Board Chairman David Foster, and Yorktown Civic Association President David Haring. The ceremony also featured a performance by the Yorktown High School marching band, along with exhibition games on the new athletic fields.

The park, which took more than 18 months to renovate, now sports a synthetic rectangular field which will host football, lacrosse, soccer and field hockey games, as well as a new baseball and two softball diamonds. There's also a new track. The bleacher seating totals more than 2500 seats across the four fields.

The synthetic rectangular field and one of the

softball diamonds will be open to the community, although permit holders take priority. The other two diamonds are reserved for competitions only, and will not be open to community use.

During the spring and fall seasons, lights may be on until 10:30 p.m. no more than three times per week, with a 10:00 p.m. ending time on the other nights of the week during the prime seasons and during the off-peak seasons.



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Please attend the Civic Association Meeting on Thursday, Oct. 4, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. at Yorktown High School, Room 1B.

For additional information about the Yorktown Civic Association and the issues covered in this newsletter, check out our website at <http://www.YorktownCivic.com>.

County Board Member Barbara Favola to Speak at October 4 Civic Association Meeting

The quarterly meeting of the Yorktown Civic Association has been scheduled for Thursday, October 4, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. at Yorktown High School in room 1B, with County Board member Barbara Favola as the guest speaker. She plans to discuss the planned renovation of Yorktown High School, which is scheduled for consideration by the County Board on October 13. At the meeting, updates will also be provided on the upcoming expansion project at Marymount University, and a vote will be held on support for a 4-way stop at the N. 27th Street/N. Florida Street intersection.

Ms. Favola has been an Arlington resident since 1982, and has served as Chairman of the Arlington County Board in 2004 and 2000. She has been a Board member since December 1997.

Ms. Favola is often thought of as the Board's leading advocate for children, youth and families. She supported the creation of teen lounges for young people, established mental health services in the public schools, provided a permanent home for the Head Start program, and forged a community Partnership for Children, Youth and Families. In 2006, Ms. Favola was appointed by Governor Tim Kaine to the State Health Board.

Ms. Favola is also a part-time employee at Marymount University working in the area of institutional development and government relations. Prior to 1995, she was a policy advisor for 15 years at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

The final agenda for the October 4 meeting will be posted on the civic association website at <http://www.YorktownCivic.com>.

