



# Neighbor News

## New Leadership at Randolph Elementary

**DR DONNA SNYDER APPOINTED PRINCIPAL FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM**

**O**n 18 August, the Arlington School Board appointed Dr Donna Snyder to a two-year interim assignment as the principal of Randolph Elementary school. The two-year appointment allows the community time to more fully assess and define the features they are seeking in the permanent principal position. That inventory of skills and abilities will then help inform the position description and job vacancy announcement that will be advertised during the 2017-18 school year for the permanent principal who will come on board in time for Fall 2018.

### ABOUT DR SNYDER

Dr Snyder began her professional career in Montgomery County, MD where she served as an elementary teacher, curriculum specialist, and elementary school principal. She led a Title I school which served 850 students, ranging in age from infants through 6th grade. While in Montgomery County, she also served as an adjunct professor at both Johns Hopkins and Bowie State Universities. After relocating to Florida, she held the position of elementary supervisor in Hillsborough County, Florida, the 6th largest school system in the USA. In that capacity, she was responsible for the instructional delivery of elementary curriculum for 14,000 students. After relocating to Northern Virginia, Dr Snyder was appointed the Title I Supervisor for Arlington Public Schools (APS), serving as the division director for all school improvement initiatives throughout the school system.

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## Douglas Park noticias septiembre 2016

La próxima reunión general de la Asociación Cívica de Douglas Park será el lunes 26 septiembre 2016 a las 7.30pm en la cafetería de la escuela primaria Randolph, ubicada en 1306 South Quincy Street. Por favor entrar por la puerta 10. Nuestro programa será un foro abierto con Kate Cristol, miembro de la Junta del Condado de Arlington. Para más detalles, véase la sección Rincón del Presidente de la página 2. Todos son bienvenidos.

La doctora Donna Snyder fué seleccionada como la Principal Interina de la Escuela Elemental Randolph. Ella ha sido maestra y luego principal de escuela elemental en el condado Montgomery en Maryland. También ha sido líder de Título Uno, profesora adjunta de universidad, además de muchas otras experiencias en el Sistema Educativo.

En el 9 de septiembre miembros de la comunidad Douglas Park se reunieron con la gerencia del vendedor de autos Audi (Columbia Pike) para discutir soluciones a varios problemas ocasionados por, entre otros, automóviles del negocio atravesando calles del vecindario y ruidos de alarmas. La reunión fué productiva.

Día de las Elecciones Generales (8 de noviembre) habrá una gran venta de pasteles y repostería hecho en casa, todo para fines benéficos. Como en otras elecciones, la venta de repostería será en el sito de votación en la Escuela Elemental Randolph con el propósito de recaudar fondos para la Asociación Cívica. También puede contribuir donando repostería hecha en casa. El sito para entregar donativos es en el 1701 de la calle S Nelson de 5 a 9 de la tarde el día 7 de noviembre.

## NEXT DPCA MEETING

**MONDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2016 AT 7.30P IN THE CAFETERIA OF RANDOLPH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 1306 SOUTH QUINCY STREET. ENTER THROUGH DOOR 10.**

Our program will be an open forum with County Board Member Katie Cristol. For details, please see the President's Corner on p 2. All are welcome to attend.

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## DOUGLAS PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION • ARLINGTON, VA

## MEETING CALENDAR

The Association conducts general membership meetings in February, April, June, September and November. Meeting dates and locations are subject to change; up-to-date information is available at <http://www.douglasparkca.org/> or in the *Douglas Park Neighbor News*.

## NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Monday evening, 26 September 2016 at 7.30p in the cafeteria of Randolph Elementary School, 1306 South Quincy Street. Entrance is through door No 10. Please see the full agenda in the 'President's Corner' column in this issue of the *Douglas Park Neighbor News*. All are welcome.

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## President's Corner

by Adam Henderson

## NEXT CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING

The next Civic Association meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 26 September 2016 in the cafeteria at Randolph Elementary School, 1306 South Quincy Street. Please enter the building through door 10. On the agenda:


- **An open forum with County Board member Katie Cristol.** This is your opportunity to ask questions and address your issues of concerns with a representative of your local elected officials. Elected in November 2015, Katie is the second-youngest person to serve on the Arlington County Board. She is a Columbia Pike homeowner, community advocate, and education policy consultant.

Like many Arlingtonians, Katie moved to the County early in her career, attracted by Arlington's vibrant arts and culture, walkable development and sense of community engagement. She and her husband, Steve, live in the rapidly-growing Columbia Pike corridor with their dog, Bear.

Katie holds a public policy master's degree from Princeton University, and a bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia. She is also a 2012 graduate of Arlington Neighborhood College.

LAST CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING,  
MONDAY 27 JUNE

Approximately forty people attended the Civic Association meeting on Monday evening 27 June for a rather tempestuous discussion of the ongoing issues with the County maintenance and storage lot at 19th St S and S Pollard St with DES (Department of Environmental Services) staff. Which leads to...



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## STATUS OF THE COUNTY MAINTENANCE LOT AT 19TH ST SOUTH AND SOUTH POLLARD ST

**A**fter our June Meeting, the DPCA board contacted the Arlington County Zoning Administrator for an investigation and ruling on the appropriateness of the use of the property by the County. On 22 July, the Zoning Administrator informed DPCA that, in her opinion, the use was non-compliant. On 10 August, Arlington Water, Sewer and Streets /Department of Environmental Services (WSS/DES) filed a special use permit application with the Zoning division. The Executive Committee of the Douglas Park Civic Association agreed to challenge the application and said challenge was filed with the Zoning Division on 6 September. It is expected that should the process continue, the permit will come before the County Board in October or November. You can view the application and our response on the DPCA website at <http://www.douglasparkca.org/hot-topics/>.

The DPCA board will continue to keep the community apprised of developments and timelines as we continue to attempt to reverse this inappropriate facility in our community,

## OTHER NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

### 2017-2026 ARLINGTON TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT PLAN (TDP)

**T**he Executive Committee of the Douglas Park Civic Association would like to thank residents of Douglas Park and the Pike community at large for their efforts at lobbying the County Board to uphold their commitments to the Pike during June's review of the 2017-2026 Arlington Transportation Development Plan (TDP). While we did not get everything we wanted, the efforts lead the Board to direct staff to make several significant improvements to the Plan that will benefit all Pike residents in the year ahead.

### FOUR MILE RUN VALLEY INITIATIVE

**A**fter a summer hiatus, the Four Mile Run Valley Working Group will resume its meeting schedule on Wednesday 21 September. Meetings are generally semi-monthly on the first Tuesday and third Wednesday of the month and are held at the Park and Recreation Conference Center at 2700 South Taylor Street from 7p-10p. The next meeting will be an open community forum on the future of the Valley. If you have an interest, please make plans to attend. Learn more at <http://projects.arlingtonva.us/plans-studies/four-mile-run-valley/>.

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## DOUGLAS PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION • ARLINGTON, VA MEMBERSHIP FORM—FY 2017

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## President's Corner (ctd)

### OTHER NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

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#### AUDI OF ARLINGTON

**O**n Thursday 8 September, members of the Douglas Park community met with management from Audi of Arlington/Rosenthal Automotive Group to discuss how to be better neighbors. A very productive meeting was held across two hours with Jerry Griffin, General Counsel of Rosenthal Automotive and Tony Brooks, Vice-President of the DPCA leading the meeting. Issues spanned a variety of topics including the use of residential streets in Douglas Park as cut-through streets, the use of alarms and horns on the Audi property and the physical condition of the Glebe Road facility.

A variety of solutions to each of the problems were discussed and both Audi of Arlington and the neighbors are looking forward to a mutually beneficial, constructive relationship in the very near future. It's worth noting that the Rosenthal family of car dealerships now numbers fifteen dealerships representing 12 marques; however, their first shop was the Chevrolet dealership that opened in November, 1954 here in Douglas Park at the corner of the Pike and South Glebe Road; now the site of Pike 3400.

#### FUNSHINE UPDATE

**T**he beloved Funshine Preschool is continuing its buildout of its new home at the former YMCA building 3440 22nd St S owned by the Macedonia Baptist Church. County Board member Katie Cristol and will headline a fundraiser at Macedonia Baptist Church, 3212 22nd St S, on Tuesday 20 September from 7p until 8.30p. The Bonder & Amanda Johnson Community Development Corporation is matching contributions to the effort; to learn more about the fundraiser or how to make a tax-deductible donation, visit <http://www.douglasparkca.org/hot-topics/>.

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## The 2016 Election Day Bake Sale

### ANNUAL EVENT AT RANDOLPH SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 8 NOVEMBER

by Enid Dunbar

**T**his year's Election Day Bake Sale will once again be held at the Randolph Elementary School polling site. As always, the money raised from the sale will go to help fund neighborhood activities. Since this is one of our primary fund-raising mechanisms aside from neighborhood association dues, we ask for your involvement and support in one or more of the following ways:

#### *Baking*

Baked items that typically sell well include cakes (whole or quarters), pies, sweet and quick breads (regular and mini-loaves), savory breads, cookies or brownies (with or without nuts clearly labeled), fruit



bars, fudge, scones, biscotti and so forth. Cupcakes, though trendy, are sometimes more difficult to wrap and handle; however, if you can find a way to make them manageable, we will welcome those also. If you are able to wrap your items in clear plastic, or bag them individually (large brownies) or as small groups (several cookies) in baggies, it is very helpful though not required. The drop-off point for baked goods will be the enclosed front porch at 1701 South Nelson Street, where volunteers will be wrapping and pricing items on the evening before the sale. Collection of items begins at 5p and continues until 9p that evening, Monday 7 November. You may also bring items directly to the bake sale table on the morning of Election Day.

#### ***Volunteering Your Time***

We will be seeking people to work two-hour shifts at the bake sale table throughout the day on Tuesday 4 November. The bake sale table will be open from 6a to 7p.

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# The 2016 Election Day Bake Sale (ctd)

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## **Buying Baked Goods**

If you don't have time or the inclination to bake, plan to buy what others bake! Take goodies into the office that day, or stock your freezer for the upcoming holiday season! We will also be selling coffee, tea and hot chocolate at the table.

## **Donations**

If you don't bake, and you don't want to bring the calories into your house, you can always donate to the cause directly.

It has been my observation over the years that this neighborhood has some fabulous bakers as well as wonderful eaters of baked goods! We've done very well with this event in past years and we hope for continued involvement and success in our fundraising efforts. For more information, please feel free to email or call me at [dpdunbars@comcast.net](mailto:dpdunbars@comcast.net) or 703.271.5335.

# Dr Snyder

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In 2011, she was appointed as the interim principal to begin the revitalization process of Hoffman-Boston Elementary School. Under her leadership, the school demonstrated significant academic gains and became poised to become a STEM school for 2012-2013. Until her most recent appointment, Dr Snyder served as the APS Director of Early Childhood and Elementary Education.

Outside of public education, Dr Snyder has also held leadership positions. She served for eight years as the Chief Education Officer for an educational organization where she was responsible for designing, implementing and evaluating K-16 educational programs, high quality professional learning and program evaluation. In this capacity, she had direct oversight of educational programs for 45,000 students annually. She also was responsible for creating professional advisory boards and strategic partnerships with professional associations, universities, school systems and community agencies.

Dr Snyder earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education and a master's degree in school administration and curriculum development. She received her Ed.D. in curriculum and instruction from Virginia Tech.

Welcome Dr Snyder!

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