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Council Approves Continuing Design of Median Lane BRT on 29

By Sharon Canavan

On 21 May 2026, the Montgomery County Council adopted the county's Capital Improvements Program (CIP). Although there is no appropriation for FY 27, the CIP will project \$115 million in spending for the county transportation department to continue designing the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Flash 2.0 route (BRT 2.0) on US 29/ Colesville Road.

In 2022, the previous

Council approved funding for design of a Dedicated Median Lane instead of choosing the Managed Lane or No-Build options. The present 35% design for BRT 2.0 calls for a single, curbed bus lane for Flash buses only from Stewart Lane to Timberwood Avenue. At that point, the median lane will expand to two vehicle lanes to accommodate moving the present curb-side Flash stations to the middle of the Four Corners intersection for two Flash stations (north- and south-bound). After those stations, the bus will return to a single curbed lane until Franklin Avenue and then operate in mixed traffic to the Silver Spring Metro station. (For a more in-depth description of the BRT 2.0 design and prior committee action, see story on page 5 of *North Four Corners News*, April 2026, at <https://www.nfcca.org/news/nn202604d.html>.)

At a 2 March 2026 meeting of the Transportation and Environment (T&E) Committee, Councilmember Mink raised concerns about the impact that a curbed one-to-two lane busway would have on traffic from Burnt Mills to

Next Meeting on Wed., 10 June

The next meeting of the Northwood-Four Corners Civic Association will be held on Wednesday, 10 June 2026, at 7:30 p.m. **The meeting will be held in person at Forest Knolls Elementary School as well as virtually.**

To find the access codes for the online meeting, go to the NFCCA website at www.nfcca.org; the codes will be posted the week of the meeting. This will be our last meeting until October.

All residents of the Northwood-Four Corners-Forest Knolls area are invited to attend and express their views. Please note that only paid members of the NFCCA are eligible to vote. (Annual dues are \$15 per household and may be paid at the meeting or online.) ■

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At our April meeting, the vote to change the NFCCA name was 32 to keep the name as Northwood-Four Corners Civic Association and 18 to change the name to North Four Corners Civic Association. So to paraphrase the Big Lebowski, the current name abides!

On Wednesday, 10 June, at the next NFCCA General Meeting, our speakers will be Maryland District 19 Delegates Charlotte Crutchfield and Stewart Vaughn. They were unable to attend the Candidate Forum that NFCCA hosted in April since the Maryland Legislature was in its busy last week of the Session, but at our June meeting they will provide a wrap-up review of the legislature's activities.

Once again, our thanks go out to Julie Whitcomb and Karen Donnelly for their stupendous work planning the Fifth Annual NFCCA Yard Sale with 54 participating households. What a fantastic way to cruise the neighborhood, chat with neighbors, find new owners for stuff you no longer use, and keep items out of the landfill!

The NFCCA 2025–2026 membership has dropped down to 195. Last year we hit 267 paid-up households so we are potentially facing a big drop off in dues revenue. It's not too late to pay your \$15 annual dues for this cycle!

Your dues, paid advertising in the newsletter, and our fundraiser cover the social activities that the civic association hosts, the escalating cost of printing this newsletter, and administrative expenses. Over the summertime, the Board will develop the projected budget and plan activities for the 2026–2027 cycle. We'd hate to scale back our popular social events or limit the length of the newsletter to keep under budget.

Long-time newsletter editor Jacquie Bokow is working with Rise Goldstein to transition into the editor role (see page 7 for separate article). The Board will also be discussing which Board members are willing to serve again and potential new Board nominees.

Another transition NFCCA has to plan for is management of our newsletter distribution process. John and Bette Hill, who have long shouldered the job of counting up the batches of newsletters and delivering them to our 51 distributors, have decided that the June newsletter will be their last. Many thanks to them for their work doing this over the years. We need to find volunteer(s) to take on all or a portion of the distribution task before the October issue.

This year NFCCA has operated one Board member short; we've been stretched thin. We still need to fill this "hole" and are looking particularly for someone with technology skills, who can maintain and update the *nfcca.org* website once Jacquie completes her move out of the neighborhood.

Everyone is busy with work and family, but serving on the NFCCA Board doesn't have to be a heavy lift. You can

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The *North Four Corners News* (formerly *Northwood News*) is published by the Northwood-Four Corners Civic Association. The NFCCA represents the 1,600+ households in the area bounded by Colesville Road (Rte. 29), University Blvd. (Rte. 193), Caddington Avenue, and the Northwest Branch.

Any resident of this area is eligible to join the NFCCA. Annual dues are \$15 per household and may be paid online, at any Association meeting, or mailed to the treasurer.

The *North Four Corners News* is published five times a year—in October, December, February, April, and June. To place an ad or discuss a story, please contact the editor.

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Wazzup in the Neighborhood

Mark your calendar for NFCCA's upcoming 2026 neighborhood events.

■ **The 10 June NFCCA Meeting** will start at 7:30 p.m. at Forest Knolls Elementary School.

■ **Free tickets for a Thunderbolts game** at Montgomery Blair High School will be distributed at the June NFCCA meeting.

■ **The Rock-and-Rolla All-Ages Bike Ride** will start at 10 a.m. on **Sunday, 12 July**, in North Four Corners Local Park at Edgewood and Southwood Avenues.

■ Montgomery Parks presents Parks Playhouse Junior – **Culture Queen**, Ages 2–5, **Monday, 13 July**, 10–11 a.m., at North Four Corners Local Park.

■ Montgomery Parks presents Parks Playhouse Junior – **The Great Zucchini**, Ages 2–5, **Saturday, 25 July**, 10–11 a.m., at North Four Corners Local Park.

■ **National Night Out is Tuesday, 4 August**, at the Forest Knolls Pool. Once again there will be swimming, a band, a food truck, and the ever-popular free sno-cones!

Admission is free to all from the neighborhood, so come hang out with your neighbors, invited legislative and council members, and our local police community service officers. (See page 5 for more details.)

Find out more about these and other upcoming events and activities in our community by going to our website nfcca.org. Or go to the NFCCA Facebook page by searching for NFCCAMoCo (see page 2 for the URL) or join the list-serv. Hope this helps you stay up-to-date and engaged!

Lots going on and we want to hear from you. So come join us at the June meeting. ■

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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choose to concentrate on an area or on an issue that is of particular interest *to you*. Please contact me at president@nfcca.org or call me at 240.281.3911 if you have any questions about serving or suggestions for a nominee.

If you are interested in serving on the NFCCA Board or becoming a volunteer to help manage our newsletter operation, neighborhood communications, or plan our social activities, please drop me an email at president@nfcca.org and we can set up a time to discuss what is involved and your area(s) of interest. Nominations for Officers and Board members will be considered and voted upon at our October NFCCA meeting.

—Sharon Canavan

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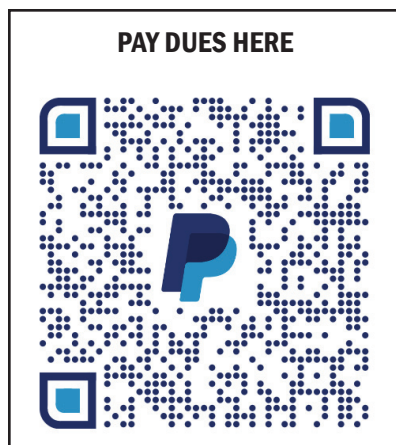
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Median Lane BRT

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the Four Corners area. T&E Committee Chairman Glass and staff then added language to the Project Description Form (PDF) directing the Montgomery County Dept. of Transportation (MCDOT) to add its evaluation of less impactful alternatives. The 27 April 2026 T&E Committee staff report added the italicized language below to the PDF:

This project will design and implement a dedicated lane for Bus Rapid Transit in the median of U.S. 29 between Tech Road and Sligo Creek Parkway to improve travel time and service reliability. Alongside final design for a two-way busway, alternative technical concepts for one or zero dedicated transit lanes through Four Corners will be evaluated for construction-related impacts, transit performance, and cost. Adjacent neighborhood traffic impacts and potential mitigation will also be evaluated as part of final design. MCDOT will brief the T&E Committee after the analysis is completed and before proceeding to construction. The project will also assess the feasibility of master planned bicycle facilities along U.S. 29 within the project study limits.

Mink sought to further amend the PDF to direct MCDOT to evaluate a Managed Lane (i.e., Flash bus operating along with other buses in a bus-only curb lane) so the Council could evaluate a side-by-side comparison of

all options. Mink stressed her “concerns are about the impact that the current design is going to have on the area there, the small businesses, the traffic and mobility in Burnt Mills and Four Corners.” T&E Committee members voted down the Mink amendment.

On 6 May 2026, the full County Council met to conclude its discussion of CIP Mass Transportation funding. Councilmember Mink again offered her amendment to add “as well as the previously considered Managed Lane option” to the PDF.

Councilmember Glass opposed the Mink amendment, stressing that BRT 2.0 is a priority to serve transportation users in Burtonsville, further noting the Council had just adopted \$243,775 in funding to expand from rush-hour only to all-day service for the Blue Flash route that runs from Burtonsville to Silver Spring. Glass emphasized that Councilmembers had heard residents’ concerns and that Mink’s advocacy had already secured language in the PDF to evaluate alternatives for the BRT 2.0 through Four Corners as MCDOT proceeds with completing the BRT 2.0 design.

MCDOT Director Chris Conklin conceded that a Managed Lane would result in less delay on the corridor for all other types of buses and vehicles, but defended the current design for a BRT 2.0 Dedicated Median Lane busway as the best option to maximize operational efficiency and travel time on U.S. 29 for Flash buses. He added Metrobus service on the U.S.

29 corridor has been reduced, so a more effective BRT route is necessary to attract additional riders in this transit-dependent part of the county.

After Council staff explained that the design for a Managed Lane would have to run the full length of the Flash route, Conklin argued that developing the Managed Lane technical concept would significantly delay the project. He added that the “zero” bus lane option, which MCDOT has been directed to evaluate, would be essentially equivalent to a managed lane, so he argued that Mink’s amendment language was unnecessary.

Councilmember Jawando pressed the point, questioning why studying a Managed Lane is problematic. Conklin responded that a significant amount of engineering work, comparable to that required for the current 35% BRT 2.0 design, would delay the project. He also questioned the effectiveness of a Managed Lane, since scofflaws could move into that lane and preventing this would require police enforcement.

Councilmember Glass commented the BRT 2.0 design will still be open to change, if the Council sees fit, once MCDOT provides information on the alternative concepts and neighborhood impacts as directed by the language added to the PDF.

Councilmembers Mink and Jawando voted for the amendment to add Managed Lane language, but the other 9 Councilmembers voted no.

In closing, Councilmem-

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ber Glass noted Councilmembers had heard about potential traffic impact from many residents. He acknowledged the Four Corners intersection is complex, but added that maximizing the efficiency of the Flash BRT

route on U.S. 29 is important and further delay would harm Burtonsville residents. Even pressing ahead with the proposed BRT 2.0 design, this project will be a long time coming to fruition. Final design is set to begin in FY28 and construction is projected for FY31 to FY33 with operations beginning in FY34. ■

Candidates Forum Held in April

Our April meeting featured a candidates forum for those running for Maryland House of Delegates for (our) District 19. The event was held “speed dating” style, with candidates moving from group to group so all attendees could ask questions. ■



Jacquie Bokow



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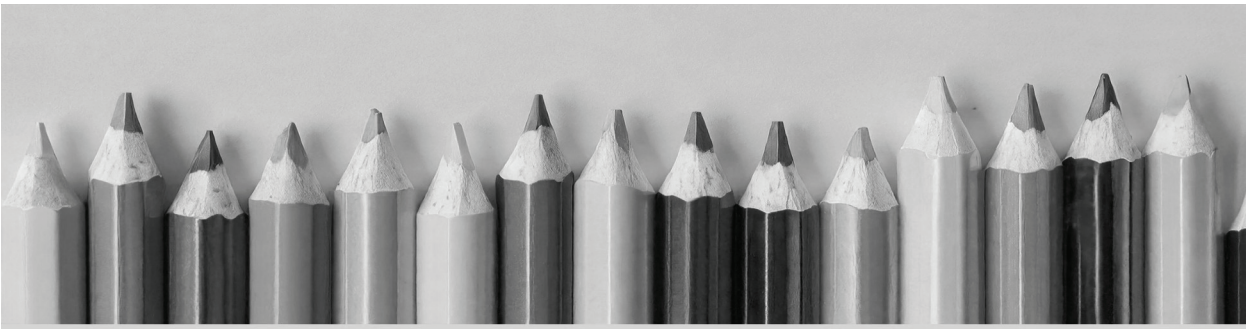
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FK Pool Food Truck Schedule for Summer

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The pool is at 11105 Foxglove Lane between Hannes Street and Loxford Terrace. You do not need to be a member of the pool to purchase from the food trucks, which will be in the parking lot.

- Saturday, 6 June:
Pop-Up Poutine
- Friday, 12 June:
Cousins Maine Lobster and Ello Gelato
- Saturday, 13 June:
Street Taco Bowls
- Saturday, 20 June:
Beltway Bistro
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- Saturday, 18 July:
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35+ Help at Spring Creek Cleanup

By Corinne Stephens

WOW!!! More than 35 volunteers came out on a chilly damp morning in March to save the trees and cleanup trash along Lockridge Drive.

We saved at least 30 trees from strangling English ivy and porcelainberry and picked up at least 10 bags of trash.

Special thanks to Robin Loube for supplying volunteers with caffeine and sugar and Sharon Canavan for bringing a pickup truck load to the county plant debris dump.

The best part: we are



Corinne Stephens

making a real difference! When I compare photos from a few years ago (when we started tackling the same area), and compare to now, the vines are dwindling and the trees look healthier. Way to go team!

[Stephens lives on Thistle Drive. More photos online.] ■



The Legendary

Photos from the first “The Legendary” neighborhood event arrived just as we were going to press. See details and more photos online with the articles for this issue.

So Long, and Thanks...

By Jacquie Bokow

With this issue, I’ve been editor of the *News* for exactly 25 years. My first issue was October 2001, the year after my husband and I moved in after I got pregnant. We both grew up in this neighborhood and both graduated from Northwood, as did our son, now 26. In fact, we both knew the original owners of our home.

It’s time to downsize, but I didn’t want to wait until we were moving (or I died!) for the baton to be passed. The October issue will feature a new edi-

tor, Rise Goldstein, who will tell you about herself then.

The *News* (I’ve been told) has made NFCCA a voice to be reckoned with in the county. That’s due solely to the vast number of extraordinary people who have contributed articles—often complete series—in their areas of expertise. We have been incredibly blessed that people were willing to share their knowledge, and on a deadline! You can see all those articles on the nfcca.org website; check it out.

It’s been a delight to meet so many of you over the years. ■



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Montgomery County History Over 250 Years, Part 2

By Sondra Katz

[This is the conclusion of a series on Montgomery County's 250th birthday this year.]

19th Century Items of Interest (continued from last issue)

■ Emancipation reached Maryland in 1864. By referendum and by a razor-thin margin, Marylanders voted to end slavery in the state after more than 200 years. Soldiers voting in the field in October 1864 ensured passage of the new Maryland State Constitution, which outlawed slavery effective 1 November. Seventy-three percent of Montgomery County voters did not approve.

■ In 1860 public schools for white children were established but funding didn't allow building many schools. Public schools for black children didn't get started until 1872.

■ In 1864 Confederate troops under General Jubal Early skirmished with Union troops near Rockville en route to an unsuccessful attack on Fort Stevens in Washington. Union troops were command-



Gaithersburg Latitude Observatory

ed by Major General Frank Wheaton, who led troops stationed at the fort to successfully repel Early's troops. Wheaton was named for the General in 1869.

■ The Gaithersburg Observatory was built in 1899 was one of six global observatories established as part of the International Polar Motion Service in order to measure variations in latitude caused by the Earth's wobble. The Gaithersburg observatory was in use until 1989. One of the survey monuments on the grounds of the observatory is still used to test the Global Positioning Systems (GPS).

■ Unfortunately, lynchings did occur in Montgomery County. Two men were hanged in 1880 and one man in 1896.

20th Century Items of Interest

■ The *Gibbs v. Broome* case in 1936 for equal teacher salaries was a landmark case leading up to *Brown v. Board of Education* (1954). This case for equal salaries for teachers of both races was brought by William B. Gibbs, Jr., teacher and acting principal of Rockville Colored Elementary School who was represented by Thurgood Marshall and the NAACP. The case was settled out of court in Gibbs's favor,

but he was fired from his position with the schools.

■ The Silver Spring Shopping Center opened on 4 November 1938, which was the first suburban center in Montgomery County. Wheaton Plaza, the county's first mall was opened in 1960.



Road crews paving Rockville Pike with macadam in the late 19th century.

■ In 1948, Montgomery County voters approved a home rule charter with a Council-Manager government, the first county in Maryland to do so. The charter significantly increased local officials' decision-making powers that heretofore largely lay in Annapolis.

■ In 1950, the Montgomery County Public Library System was established.

■ In 1950, Montgomery County was declared "An All-America Community" by the National Civic League. The Award recognizes communities that leverage civic engagement, collaboration, inclusiveness, and innovation to successfully address local issues.

■ In 1955, Montgomery County was the first in Mary-



Poolesville School Class, c. 1909. Behind the students is Loving Charity Hall, where classes were held downstairs.

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land to act on the Supreme Court's order to desegregate "with all deliberate speed." A limited number of elementary schools were integrated in the fall of 1955, with Black students residing downcounty, who were still attending substandard wood-frame schools built decades earlier, entering formerly all-white schools. The process, expanding gradually by area and grade level, was considered complete by 1961, when all the all-Black schools had been closed.

■ Glen Echo Park was boycotted in 1960 for its refusal to allow Black patrons, beginning with a sit-in on the carousal by Howard University

students. In 1961, the park opened to all races.

■ On 16 January 1962, Montgomery County passed a law prohibiting racial and religious discrimination in places of public accommodation. It was the first county in Maryland to prohibit discrimination in public places, and two years ahead of the federal government's Civil Rights Act, which made such discrimination illegal nationwide. An attempt to repeal the law in 1963, led primarily by newly elected county councilman John Hiser, was unsuccessful.

■ In 1964, the Beltway was completed and, in 1978, Metrorail came to Mont. County.

■ In 1997 all of Takoma Park incorporated into Montgomery County.

21st Century Items of Interest

■ In 2000, Montgomery County was declared "An All-America Community" by the National Civic League for a second time.

■ In 2001, 11 county residents were killed on 9/11 and, in 2002, six county residents were killed by sniper attacks. Memorials were erected for both.

■ By 2020, MoCo's population exceeded one million. Census data shows that 1/3 of Montgomery County's residents were born in another country and nearly 40% speak another language besides English. As of 2022, four of MoCo's cities made the top-ten list of most diverse places in the United States: Germantown, Gaithersburg, Silver Spring, and Rockville. ■

Fifth Annual NFCCA Neighborhood Yard Sale

The Fifth Annual NFCCA Neighborhood Yard Sale was held on Saturday, 16 May 2026 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. More than 62 houses participated.

Neighbors sold clothes, pocketbooks, shoes, household items, baby toys, antiques, jewelry, books, luggage, games, stuffed animals, dolls, plants, art, bikes, baked goods, craft items, office

supplies, furniture, exercise equipment, and much more. Many people gave away lots of free stuff. Other neighbors donated dollars to charities from sales of lemonade, pet items, and plants.

Children and adults walked the neighborhood sidewalks on the hot, sunny day. They were busy browsing the sales, buying items, gathering free stuff, drinking

cold beverages, snacking on popcorn and cookies, chatting with old friends and meeting new neighbors.

Organizers Karen Donnelly and Julie Whitcomb thank all who participated and hope everyone enjoyed the NFCCA neighborhood event and had fun. See you all at the Sixth Annual NFCCA Neighborhood Yard Sale in 2027!

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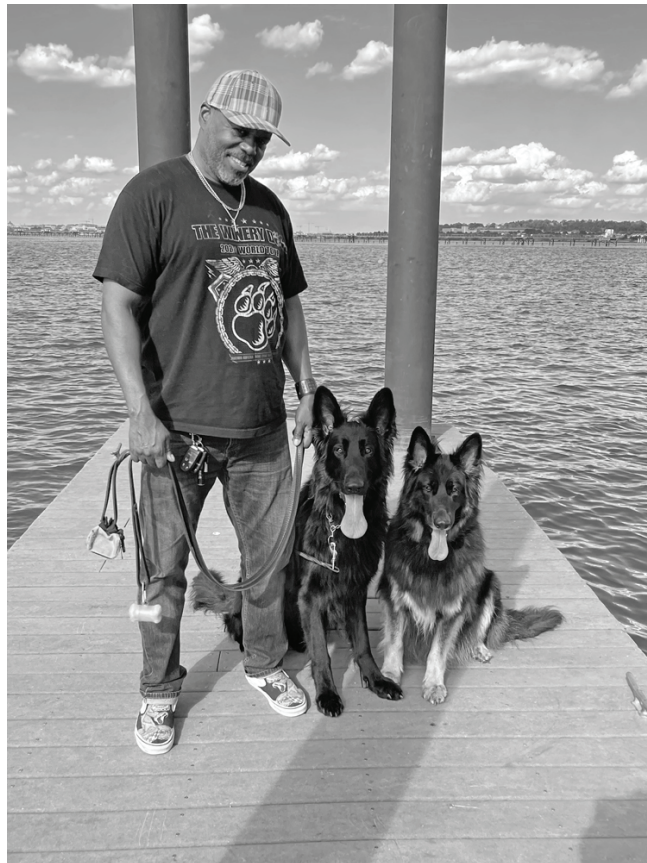
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