

# The Fairfax County FEDERATION

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## General Membership Meeting



**Thursday, September 15, 2005**

**7:30 p.m.**

**Packard Center Main Conference Room  
4022 Hummer Road, Annandale**

*September is*

*National Emergency Preparedness Month*

*Our Guest Speakers will be:*

*Lt. Frank Cresswell, Director*

*Youth Services Division*

*Neighborhood Watch Coordinator, FCPD*

*Merrily Pierce, Chairman*

*Fairfax County Citizen Corps*

*"Ready . . . Pack . . . Go" Campaign*

*A Representative from the Red Cross,  
National Capital Area, Fairfax Office,  
may demonstrate Emergency Supply Kits.*



## Upcoming Membership Meetings

**October 20, 2005                      7:30 p.m.**

*Adoption of 2006 Legislative Program*

**November 17, 2005                      7:30 p.m.**

*BRAC Impact: Co-sponsor, The Mount Vernon  
Council of Citizens Associations*

**December 15, 2005                      7:30 p.m.**

## Federation Board Meetings

**September 22, 2005                      7:30 p.m.**

**October 27, 2005                      7:30 p.m.**



## *President's Message*

Welcome to the 2005-2006 year of the Federation. We have another calendar full of programs for our association members featuring elected and public officials who help maintain the quality of life that sets the standard for schools and county management in the Commonwealth.

Our September 15th meeting will include a program on **Emergency Preparedness** presented by county safety officials and our community partners, the Red Cross and Citizen Corps. The tragic events of the past week in the Gulf Coast region highlight the need to be prepared for emergencies.

The October 20th meeting will be dedicated to our **2006 Legislative Program**. On November 17th, we'll hold our meeting in the southern area of the county with the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations to present a program on the effects of the federally mandated **BRAC** (Base Realignment and Closures) on the county **schools and transportation infrastructure**, with **Supervisor Gerry Hyland** as a guest speaker.

In the new year, we'll have **Mason District Supervisor Penny Gross** give a presentation on the **Chesapeake Bay** at our February 16, 2006 meeting. **Fairfax County Executive Tony Griffin** will give a county budget review at our March 23rd meeting, and **Board of Supervisors' Chairman Gerry Connolly** will offer his annual **state of the county** at the May 18th meeting.

In between, we'll have a **School Budget Review** by **FCPS Superintendent Jack Dale**, and a **Report From Richmond** by General Assembly members from opposing aisles. Of course, every spring, the Federation and **The Washington Post** cosponsor the **Citizen of the Year Banquet**. All in all, the Federation will do its best to present updated information on the important issues facing county residents so that our association members and county may benefit from our programs. I look forward to working with all of you during the coming dynamic year.

*John Jennison, President*

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The contact portion of the Federation website is undergoing minor revisions at this time. While under reconstruction, to reach the Federation Board via email, please use the following address, [fedofficers@fairfaxfederation.org](mailto:fedofficers@fairfaxfederation.org). Updated email addresses will be listed in the next issue of *The Bulletin*. We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience.

## Federation Representatives to Fairfax County Public Schools Committees

The Federation is honored to have representation on a number of Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) Boards, Authorities, Commissions, and Committees, as well as other school-related organizations. We thank the individuals, below, for giving additional time to ensure the Federation's collective voice is represented on these FCPS Committees.

### Human Resources FCPS Board Advisory Committee

Charles Dane

### School Hours Advisory Committee

Mary Anne Lecos

### Gifted and Talented FCPS Board Advisory Committee

Laura Mead

### Students with Special Disabilities FCPS Board Advisory Committee

Jeffrey Nolan

### Superintendent's Citizens Advisory Council

Mary Tycz (serves as Vice Chair)

### Fairfax Scholarship Fund (see article on page 7)

Charles Dane

Representatives to Fairfax County Boards, Authorities, and Committees will be listed in an upcoming *Bulletin*.

### Federation Newsletter to Go Online this Year

One goal of the Federation's Board of Directors is to offer *The Bulletin*, the Federation newsletter, online to association members' delegates and alternates, as well as other individuals. We hope to achieve this goal by the end of this Federation year. We will still mail *The Bulletin* to our member communities' representatives, if preferred. You will receive further information on this change in the next months, either by mail or email, if we have an email address in our database. We request your prompt response, when contacted. Thank you.

## Inclement Weather Policy

With the upcoming potential for inclement weather, including hurricanes, the following policy will be in effect: if either Fairfax County Government or Schools are closed after 12:00 noon the day of a Federation membership meeting, or if it is announced that Fairfax County Government or Schools will be closed the day after a scheduled Federation membership meeting due to inclement weather, the Federation will not hold that event. This does not pertain to regularly scheduled closures. Membership meetings will not be rescheduled. We will make every attempt to post the cancellation on our website, [www.fairfaxfederation.org](http://www.fairfaxfederation.org). You can also call (703) 266-6872 for more information.

The following resolution was approved 9-2-0 by the Federation Board at its August 25, 2005 meeting, for recommendation for consideration by the Federation membership at its September 15, 2005 meeting.

### Value Analysis and Value Management for Fairfax County Government Functions

#### Background

In 1997, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, at the urging of the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations, the McLean Citizens Association and other local groups, implemented a requirement to use Value Engineering (VE) on capital projects with a value of \$2 million or more. VE is a function-oriented systematic team approach to provide value in a product, system, or service. VE consists of basic one-week study by a trained VE team. The VE study employs rigorous procedures to generate specific recommendations that, if implemented, produce measurable results. The party responsible for a project may accept or reject the VE team's recommendations.

Fairfax County has successfully used VE on DPWES capital projects for the last eight years. As of January 2005, Fairfax County has realized savings directly attributable to VE of \$12.5 million on 17 projects. This represents a return of \$35 for every \$1 spent. VDOT, the state's prime user of VE, has realized savings of \$518 million attributable to VE from FY 90-91 to FY 04-05.

Value Analysis (VA) and Value Management (VM) are analogous to VE. VA is a structured, systematic and analytical process that seeks to determine value for money by providing all the necessary functions at the most economic cost, consistent with required levels of quality and performance. VM is a process that establishes the most reliable performance which a product or process must do to make it work and sell at the least possible cost. VM and VA focus on savings in the delivery of products and services while VE focus on savings in constructing capital projects. New York City and the Federal government have successfully used VA and VM.

Fairfax County faces challenges in public safety, development and land use, taxation and funding, immigration, personnel recruitment and training. Services provided in these areas would benefit from VA and VM.

#### Proposed Resolution

**WHEREAS**, since 1997, when the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors adopted use of the Value Engineering (VE) process on capital projects with a value of \$2 million or more, the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services has achieved cost savings of \$12.5 million on seventeen construction projects with a return on investment of \$35-to-\$1; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fairfax County government's positive VE experience positions it to extend the use of VE to Value

Analysis (VA) and Value Management (VM) practices on its non-capital program;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations (the Federation) commends the Fairfax County government for its successful use during the past eight years of VE on capital projects with a value of \$2 million or more;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Federation urges the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to require VA and VM for its general government operations, programs, procedures and projects; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Federation recommends that the responsibility for VA and VM be located within the Office of the County Executive, staffed with at least one Certified Value Specialist (CVS) who is accredited in the "value approach" process, and that such position be fully funded in the annual budget process, and that each report produced by a VA/VM team should be a public document on which citizens might comment.

#### **Proposed 2005 - 2006 Federation Budget**

At its September 15, 2005 meeting, the Federation membership will approve the proposed 2005 - 2006 budget. Below is a synopsis of that budget. For the complete budget, contact Jeffrey Parnes, Federation Treasurer, at (703) 904-0131 or via email at [FedTreas@fairfaxfederation.org](mailto:FedTreas@fairfaxfederation.org).

Ordinary Income/Expense	Amount
Income	
4030 - Contributions Income	
4050 - Restricted	0.00
4070 - Unrestricted	1,500.00
4030 - Contributions Income	1,500.00
4080 - Interest	3.60
4090 - Membership Dues	1,855.00
4170 - Program Fees	7,872.50
Total Income	11,231.10
Expense	
6120 - Bank Service Charges	0.00
6160 - Dues and Subscriptions	50.00
6230 - Licenses and Permits	25.00
6240 - Miscellaneous	0.00
6250 - Postage and Delivery (not Newsletter Related)	137.11
6260 - Printing and Reproduction (not Newsletter Related)	1,361.70
6550 - Website	115.42
6600 - Newsletter	938.65
6670 - Program Expense	7,488.27
6770 - Supplies	356.75
6800 - Board (Expenses by Board Members)	127.32
Total Expense	10,243.46
Net Ordinary Income	987.64

**Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations  
Membership Meeting of June 23, 2005**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

(For approval at the September 15, 2005 membership meeting.)

The meeting of FCFCA was held at the Packard Center at 7:30 p.m. (Attendance list is attached to original.) President Carol Hawn introduced Jorge R. Arias, Ph.D., supervisor of the West Nile Virus Program of the Fairfax County Health Department's Division of Environmental Health.

Program —

Dr. Arias spoke on insect-borne diseases in Fairfax County, focusing on West Nile virus and Lyme disease for this presentation, although others exist.

West Nile virus occurs in certain birds and mosquitos and is exchanged between them. Mosquitos transmit it to both horses and people. About 80 percent of those infected are asymptomatic; about 20 percent get West Nile fever; and less than 1 percent get the central nervous system or neuroinvasive form, which is deadly. The virus was first detected in the U.S. in 1999; there were 62 cases in 4 states that year. By 2004, there were cases in 47 states. U. S. cases peaked in 2003 at 9,862; the numbers now appear lower because some areas no longer report all West Nile cases, only the neuroinvasive ones.

The record of West Nile cases and fatalities in Fairfax County is as follows: 13 cases with 1 fatality in 2002; 3 cases with no fatalities in 2003; 1 case with 1 fatality in 2004. Among horses in the county, there were 3 cases with 1 fatality in 2002, 3 cases with no fatalities in 2003, and no cases in 2004; an equine vaccine for West Nile was introduced in 2002, which may explain this decline. The county program has a four-person staff headed by Dr. Arias. It emphasizes surveillance of the mosquito and bird populations; proactive catch-basin treatment in the affected areas; and education and outreach.

Mosquito surveillance is done using 144 traps in 72 county locations, larval surveillance of breeding sites, and some temporary traps. The traps, which require battery power and appear unusual, have triggered homeland-security suspicions and 911 calls, so the program keeps law enforcement informed of its activities with images and descriptions of the traps. The mosquito surveillance identifies which areas are positive for West Nile virus so that treatment can be focused on the affected areas, not countywide as in the past. The oldest part of the county, including Mount Vernon, Herndon, and Fairfax City, has the greatest West Nile presence, due to poor stormwater drains as well as low-lying land.

Residents who see newly dead birds should report them to a hotline number, and program staff will come and collect them. (The phone number on the county web site is 703-246-2300, option # 1.) The staff is looking for crows, blue jays, cardinals, and raptors (owls, hawks, etc.), although the percentage of crows among the dead birds has dropped. The total dead bird count has also dropped, from 1000 a week in 2002, to 100 a week in 2003, to 20 a week in 2004, but this may relate to extreme weather variations.

Once areas of West Nile infection are identified, the staff treats catch basins in those areas with water-soluble sachets. The program is able to focus on about 35,000 catch basins in about half of the county and does 3 rounds of treatments, making for between 100,000 and 130,000 catch basin treatments a year.

The program's education and outreach efforts include assessments of knowledge, attitudes, and performance (KAP) in different populations, both by age and by ethnicity. Literature is distributed in 5 languages; there are free Deet samples and mosquito dunks in all county supervisors' offices, a calendar, and advertising. The message is that residents should eliminate shallow standing water where mosquitos breed. They should also protect themselves by: repairing door and window screens; wearing long, loose, light-colored clothing; and using repellants—either Deet or one of two new repellants, Permethrin and oil of lemon eucalyptus. Sites where mosquitos may breed include ornamental ponds (stock them with fish), bird baths (flush with fresh water), old tires, standing puddles, puddled water under air conditioners or

outdoor faucets, and flexible corrugated pipes for downspout drainage (treat with a larvicide).

Lyme disease is spread only by a type of tick known as a deer tick. The county office is conducting a pilot tick survey this year and provides education and outreach on this disease. May through July is the season for almost all Lyme disease. It takes 24 hours before a tick bite can cause Lyme disease, so the key is to check for ticks right after going outdoors. If ticks are found, they should be removed with fine-tipped tweezers, pulling steadily without twisting or jerking, and it may be appropriate to save the ticks in the freezer for identification in case of later illness. A common symptom of Lyme disease is a bull's eye pattern, but it is not always obvious; a warm shower will make it show up better.

Business Meeting —

a. The minutes for the May 19 meeting were presented without corrections. Rather than take up these small changes, the membership delegated authority to the Board to review and approve these minutes.

b. Flint Webb reported that the new members of the Environment Committee have met twice, but still need a meeting which all can attend. The Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee is working toward the new emission controls that will be required by the national ambient air-quality standard for ozone. Legislation is needed in 2007, so the committee must determine appropriate control measures by late 2006; public meetings will start this summer.

c. President Carol Hawn noted a representative is needed for the Criminal Justice Advisory Board and she will request a Federation representative on the Tyson's Corner Urban Design Study Coordinating Committee. Bill Hanks is the Federation representative on the new Affordable Housing Advisory Committee.

d. Art Wells reported the Braddock District Council is conducting its part of the Area Plans Review (APR) process, which is conducted throughout Fairfax County every five years.

e. Judy Harbeck reported for the Mount Vernon Council that the top concern is transportation around Fort Belvoir in the wake of the BRAC recommendations, combined with the already serious effects of shutting down all roads through the fort after September 11. Separately, some homeowners have received information about building restrictions on their properties due to the Chesapeake Bay rules.

f. Sally Ormsby reported the Providence Council is co-sponsoring a town hall meeting on transit-oriented development.

g. President Carol Hawn reported that Charlie Strump of the county Office of Transportation was the guest speaker at the recent Sully District Council meeting.

h. Under old business, Charles Dane asked about the status of the Federation brochure. President Carol Hawn reported that she hoped to have information by the next Board meeting.

i. Under new business, President-Elect John Jennison reported he is serving with Merrily Pierce on a regional committee on emergency preparedness seeking to formulate a consistent local message, and the Federation is encouraged to play a role, including materials for National Night Out. He sees emergency preparedness as a way for the Federation to serve and connect with local associations.

j. President-Elect John Jennison presented President Carol Hawn with a plaque in appreciation of her two years of service as President of the Federation. She thanked the Board and the membership.

Next Membership Meeting: September 15, 2005 (no membership meetings in July or August).

Next Board Meeting: July 28, 2005.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

## Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations Membership Meeting Minutes of May 19, 2005

(Approved by the Board of Directors at their June 30, 2005 meeting.)

The meeting of FCFCA was held at the Packard Center at 7:30 p.m. (Attendance list is attached to original.) Note: The speaker was delayed and some Federation business was conducted before the program. For simplicity, the program is recorded here first, followed by the business meeting. President Carol Hawn introduced the Honorable Gerald Connolly, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County.

### Program —

Chairman Connolly reported on the six priorities upon which the Board of Supervisors (BOS) has unanimously agreed. He emphasized these are not intended to exclude other issues, such as the effects of the Fort Belvoir staff expansion; the early childhood program; and the teenage driving initiative. The six priorities are gang prevention; affordable housing; education; the environment; transportation diversification; and revenue diversification.

Gang prevention is meant to help keep gangs from becoming a major problem; Fairfax County currently has the lowest crime rate of any of the country's 50 largest jurisdictions, with the fewest police per capita. The county has a solid law enforcement and suppression effort, but is working to build up intervention and prevention, especially in middle school. After the gang summit held by local governments, a task force was established that will report to the BOS in June. The police gang unit has been expanded by four officers. More after-school activities are planned for middle schools, on the model of Club 78 at Holmes Intermediate. Cox Communications has made a \$3 million donation toward extracurricular activities. New Boys and Girls Clubs are being started. There is a gang hotline and a mobile team to give talks.

The county's focus is to preserve the affordable housing that exists now. A preservation summit last June led to a task force that submitted 12 recommendations, including the dedication of a penny from the tax rate to affordable housing preservation. The Board of Supervisors accepted all 12 recommendations. An affordable-housing SWAT team will locate opportunities to preserve affordable housing. Typically, the housing will be purchased with funds from non-profit groups, the county, and for-profit entities.

Fairfax County has 167,000 students, making it the country's 12th largest school system; 92 percent of graduates go on to higher education. All the county high schools were again included in Newsweek's list of the 100 best U. S. high schools; Fairfax County is the only large school system to achieve this honor. The schools are now 50/50 white/non-white; within three years, minority students will become a majority. There is also a growing number of disabled students and those for whom English is a second language. Of the county general fund, 53 percent goes to the school system, in addition to \$70 to \$80 million in other school-related costs. The school-age population has leveled out, although some new schools are needed in high-growth areas; the focus is shifting to renovation of older schools. Chairman Connolly said the time may have come to rein in school spending and seek more savings. His target for next year is a 6 percent increase in the transfer amount. The Federation's Education Committee Chair, Charles Dane, challenged the use of an arbitrary percentage without looking at the specific needs of meeting No Child Left Behind targets and increasing special-needs portions of the school population, although both he and Chairman Connolly agreed the school system should always be looking for operational efficiencies.

The environment was the subject of an October 2003 report that has been adopted as county policy. Accomplishments include retrofitting 30 watersheds, converting the bus fleet to low-sulfur diesel, buying hybrid vehicles for the county fleet while banning SUV purchases for the fleet, and buying new parkland to preserve green space—county-owned parkland is up 30 percent in the last 5 years and accounts for 9.2 percent of the county's area. Chairman Connolly has challenged the Park Authority to reach 10 percent.

In transportation, the focus is on generating additional choices and options.

Initiatives include rail to Dulles; the Richmond Express (Rex) bus service, which has increased transit ridership in that corridor 20 percent; HOT lanes on the Beltway; and telework. Projects now underway include the Mixing Bowl, which is on time and on budget; the Woodrow Wilson Bridge; the completion of the County Parkway by 2007; rail to Dulles, which will be completed to Wiehle within 6 to 7 years; widening of West Ox Road from 123 to Occoquan; and the projects financed by the transportation bond, which include funding increased Metrorail capacity and spot improvements of intersections that are bottlenecks.

Tax diversification remains a concern because of overdependence on residential property taxes, now up to 60 percent of all revenues. Recent revenue additions have included the cigarette tax increase, the recordation tax increase, the hotel tax, and \$125 million more for schools as part of the state's tax reform package. This year, for the first time in 14 years, every county revenue source went up; for 4 years, all but residential property taxes have been down or flat. These include commercial real estate, sales tax, telecommunications tax, utility fees, and investment interest income. This permitted a reduction to the residential rate of 13 cents (equivalent to \$230 million), reducing the rate to \$1.00.

Chairman Connolly also answered questions about trails; the cost of the Emergency Operations Center; the cost of the computerized communications system for police; better services for students with learning disabilities; telecommuting by county and school staff; the potential for a stormwater utility fee; the impact on the Route One corridor of the planned increase of the Fort Belvoir staff from 24,000 to 42,000; and the development of the Fairlee site and Sweeney tract near the Vienna Metro.

### Business Meeting —

- a. The minutes for the April 21 membership meeting were discussed and approved as amended.
- b. Art Wells, as Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the slate of nominees for the 2005-2006 Federation offices. The slate, as published in the newsletter, included John Jennison for President, Pat Rea for First Vice President, Carey Campbell for Second Vice President, Esther Ferington for Recording Secretary, Judith H'Ormaycht for Corresponding Secretary, and Jeff Parnes for Treasurer. Other nominations were then requested from the floor. There being none, the slate was approved unanimously. President Carol Hawn thanked Art Wells and the Nominating Committee.
- c. Charles Dane reported that the Education Committee met entirely by e-mail for the first time. The Superintendent had proposed increasing teachers' starting salaries to \$40,000 and increasing bus drivers' salaries from \$10 to \$15 an hour, as well as reducing middle-school class sizes. The School Board approved these initiatives in late April. The committee has continued to urge that the decisions about the use of former school property be subject to public review after staff review of parcels for legal restrictions and other considerations.
- d. Jeffrey Nolan reported that the annual report to the state by the Advisory Committee on Students with Disabilities for FCPS has been approved.
- e. Sally Ormsby reported that the Fairlee development was the topic of the most recent Providence District Council meeting.
- f. Jeffrey Nolan reported that the Braddock District Council has established its own website.
- g. Bill Hanks commended President Carol Hawn's farewell message in the Federation newsletter.

Next Membership Meeting: June 16. Jorge Arias, Fairfax County Health Department, Environmental Health Entomologist and West Nile Virus Coordinator, on control of disease-carrying insects

Next Board Meeting: June 23.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

## District Councils' News

The Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations is the umbrella organization for all civic, community, and homeowners associations in Fairfax County. In addition, most of the Supervisor Districts also have umbrella organizations for their communities. These Councils have a seat on the Federation Board of Directors. Below is contact and meeting information on the District Councils. We invite you to contact yours.

### Braddock District Council

**Janyce Hedetniemi, Chair** *JanyceNH@cox.net*

The Braddock District Council meets the **second Tuesday** of each month at **7:30 p.m.** in Braddock Hall, adjacent to Supervisor Bulova's Office, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke. A Legislative Update will be the topic of the September 13, 2005 meeting.

### Lee District Association of Civic Organizations

**Joe Johnson, President** (703) 971-1112

The Lee District Association of Civic Organizations meets the **fourth Wednesday** in September, October, and January through June at **7:30 p.m.** in the Franconia Governmental Center, 6121 Franconia Road, Franconia. The Association sponsors an awards banquet in December. The guest speaker at the September 28, 2005 meeting will be Cal Wagner, Fairfax County Homeowner Association liaison, who will discuss differences in civic and homeowner associations.

### Mason District Council

**Michael Kwon, President**

The Mason District Council meets the **third Wednesday** of each month at **7:30 p.m.** in the Main Conference Room at the Mason Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale.

### Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, Inc.

*www.mvcca.org*

**Errol Bergsagel, Co-Chairman** (703) 780-9038  
**Al Bornmann, Co-Chairman** (703) 360-5964  
**Mack Rhodes, Co-Chairman** (703) 329-9120

The Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations meets the **fourth Wednesday** of the month at **8:00 p.m.** in the Jack Knowles Lecture Hall in Walt Whitman Middle School. The next meeting will be September 28, 2005.

### Providence District Council

*http://pdc.neighborconnections.com*

**Rebecca Cate, President** (703) 698-0932

The Providence District Council usually meets the **third Tuesday** of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the FCPS Dunn Loring Administration Building. The September meeting, however, will be held at the Fairhill Elementary School Cafeteria, 3001 Chichester Lane, and will be a Candidates' Forum involving candidates in the 35th and 37th Delegate Districts. It will begin at **7:00 p.m.**

### Springfield District Council

**Jim McIntyre, Chairman**

For information on meeting dates and locations, please contact Mike Thompson, Springfield District Council Representative to the Federation, at *mikethompson@erols.com*.

### Sully District Council of Citizens Associations

*www.sullydistrict.org*

**Mark McConnell, President** (703) 818-9124

The Sully District Council of Citizens Associations normally meets the **fourth Wednesday** of the month at **7:30 p.m.** in Community Room 1 of the Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly (please visit website for November and December scheduling). The September 28, 2005 meeting will focus on public safety. Guest speakers will be Mary Hulse, Sully District Police Station, and Liz Barrington, Fair Oaks District Police Station.

### Virginia Department of Environmental Quality

is sponsoring a

## Community Meeting

at the

**Northern Virginia Regional Office**  
**13901 Crown Court**  
**Woodbridge**

**Monday October 3, 2005**  
**6:30 p.m.**

DEQ Director Bob Burnley and NRO Regional Director Jeff Steers invite you to a Community Meeting to discuss:

- *Regional watershed impacts on the Chesapeake Bay*
- *Air quality in Northern Virginia*

#### Goal:

- To communicate and collaborate with the Northern Virginia Regional community and various stakeholder groups

#### Meeting Outcome:

- Educate citizens and community stakeholders on what DEQ is doing
- Brainstorm for future partnerships to work on these issues

For additional information or to RSVP, contact Jeff Steers at *jasteers@deq.virginia.gov* or (703) 583-3810.

*http://www.deq.virginia.gov*

## Fairfax Scholarship Fund

Education Committee Chair, Charles Dane, has been named The Federation Representative to the Fairfax Scholarship Fund, a new organization encouraging high school students to consider going to college or other advanced learning opportunities and to provide "last dollar" monies to support their efforts. Enclosed in this edition of *The Bulletin* is an information sheet about the Fund including some first year accomplishments.

This is not a request for money or support, but a request for you to identify any scholarships that your association may be funding. We realize there are probably not many associations supporting scholarships, and that some with scholarship opportunities are already listed on the Fairfax County Public School website, [www.FCPS.edu](http://www.FCPS.edu). However, we believe there are some that may not be listed, and this new group would like to develop as complete a listing of scholarships available to students in Fairfax County, their requirements and restrictions, as possible.

If your Association does award scholarships, we would like you to email the Federation's Education Committee at [FedEdChair@fairfaxfederation.org](mailto:FedEdChair@fairfaxfederation.org), or email the Acting Executive Director of the Fairfax Scholarship Fund at [fairfaxscholarship@att.net](mailto:fairfaxscholarship@att.net). The Fund will arrange to have your information listed on the FCPS website, if you wish.

## Residential Parking Study Information Session

The Residential Parking Study project team, comprised of staff from the Departments of Transportation, Planning and Zoning, and Public Works and Environmental Services, will hold a Public Information Session on the study, Monday September 19, 2005, from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. in Conference Rooms 4 and 5 of the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax.

The primary objective of the study is to review parking utilization at residential developments countywide and make recommendations regarding appropriate residential parking rates, which may result in a Zoning Ordinance amendment, if the recommended rates are different from those currently in the Zoning Ordinance.

If you have questions or need additional information on this study or the information session, please contact Bob Owolabi, Department of Transportation, at (703) 324-1147 or via email at [bob.owolabi@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:bob.owolabi@fairfaxcounty.gov).

Did you know . . .

In 1742, the population of Fairfax County was only about 4,000 people, and about 1,000 of these were slaves.

From 1752 until 1800, the Fairfax County Courthouse was in the Town of Alexandria.

*Source: Fairfax County Fun Facts*

## Shelter in Place Video Available

The Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee (FJLEPC) has produced a video about Shelter in Place. The FJLEPC encourages county residents to watch the video with family, friends, or co-workers to stimulate conversation and planning should an emergency situation occur that would force a shelter-in-place response.

Businesses, homeowners associations, and other civic groups are encouraged to show the video at meetings and lend it to their employees or members. The video is approximately 10 minutes in length. FJLEPC members are also available to present a program on sheltering in place.

The FJLEPC comprises the Towns of Herndon and Vienna, the City of Fairfax and Fairfax County; members include local elected officials, police, fire and rescue officials, public health professionals, hospital officials, environmental and governmental planners, public utility and transportation officials, and representatives of business organizations, professional societies, civic organizations and the media.

The video can be obtained three ways:

1. The video is available online at any time through the County's "video on demand" service at: [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/cable/channel16/vod.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/cable/channel16/vod.htm).
2. To show the video on a one-time basis, for example at a homeowner's meeting, a video or DVD can be checked out, free of charge, at any County Library.
3. To obtain a video or DVD copy for multiple showings, for example for your community's members, please contact Carolyn Ford, FJLEPC Coordinator, at (703) 246-3971 or at [carolyn.ford@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:carolyn.ford@fairfaxcounty.gov).

If you have questions on the Shelter in Place video, or for additional information or to order a copy for multiple showings, please contact Carolyn Ford, FJLEPC Coordinator, at [carolyn.ford@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:carolyn.ford@fairfaxcounty.gov) or at (703) 246-3971.

## Green Breakfasts Resume September 10th

After a summer hiatus, Green Breakfasts will resume on Saturday, September 10, 2005, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Old Country Buffet in the Fair City Mall (Route 236 and Pickett Road, Fairfax). The cost is about \$7.00; please pay the cashier when you arrive. If you are a senior, ask for the discount. No reservations are necessary.

The topic will be the Natural Resource Management Plan. Speakers are Cindy Messinger, Director, Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA) Resource Management Division, Heather Melchior, FCPA Natural Resource Protection Manager, and Charles Smith, FCPA Naturalist III. There will be a question and answer period. For information, please contact Sally Ormsby at (703) 273-2048 or via email at [sally.ormsby@cox.net](mailto:sally.ormsby@cox.net).

Fairfax County  
**FEDERATION**  
of Citizens Associations

4022 Hummer Road  
Annandale, VA 22003

***Membership Meeting: Thursday, September 15, 2005 7:30 p.m.***  
*Come help us kick-off our new Federation year!*

**Directions  
to the**

***Packard Center, located in  
Annandale Community Park***

Take I-495 (Capital Beltway) to Little  
River Turnpike (Route 236 - Exit 52B);

go east toward Annandale.

Turn left at the first stop light onto  
Hummer Road.

Go 200 yards to the entrance of  
Annandale Community Park,  
which is on the left.

Keep right to the large parking lot.

Please use the left entrance into  
the Packard Center.

***Federation Memberships Due***

It is again time to renew your community's  
membership in the Fairfax County Federation  
of Citizens Associations for the coming year.

If your community needs to renew for the  
2005 - 06 year, you can print a membership  
application/renewal form off the Federation  
website, [www.fairfaxfederation.org](http://www.fairfaxfederation.org). For a  
paper copy of the membership application, or  
if you have any questions or need additional  
information on your community's membership  
in the Federation, please contact Patrick Rea,  
First Vice President and Membership  
Chairman, at (703) 799-4799 or at  
[prea@erols.com](mailto:prea@erols.com).

We look forward to your participation in the  
collective voice of the Federation this year!

***[www.fairfaxfederation.org](http://www.fairfaxfederation.org)***