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Federation Membership Meeting



Thursday, October 16, 2008

7:30 p.m.

Packard Center Main Conference Room
4022 Hummer Road, Annandale

Topic:

Greater Washington 2050

Greater Washington 2050 is a new regional initiative to improve the quality of life for Washington area residents in the next 50 years by fostering stronger regional awareness, leadership and action today and in the next few years. Led by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments and a coalition of public, business, civic and environmental stakeholders, Greater Washington 2050 will build on what many people now believe is an opportunity for convergence of agreement on big issues of growth, transportation and the environment. Greater Washington 2050 will identify actions that advance areas of agreement, assess progress, and measure performance. In short, Greater Washington 2050 seeks to shape the future by supporting sound regional action today.



2008 - 2009 Membership Meetings

*All meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. in the
Packard Center Main Conference Room
(unless otherwise noted)*

November 20, 2008 **December 18, 2008**

January 15, 2009 **February 19, 2009**

March 26, 2009 **April 16, 2009**
(fourth Thursday)

May 21, 2009 **June 18, 2009**
(picnic, begins at 7:00 p.m.)



Upcoming Federation Board Meeting

Packard Center Main Conference Room
7:30 p.m.

October 23, 2008



President's Message

Jeff Parnes, Federation President, has offered me an opportunity to share a gracious and informative experience. This spring, I picked up three boxes of files about the Federation and county from Roger Maroni, the son of Yves Maroni, a former Federation president, who had recently died. One box contained old Federation *Bulletins*, and it was interesting to scan them and see the names of many present association members, including Bel Air, Broyhill Crest, Fenwick Park, Holmes Run Acres and Sleepy Hollow. A special thanks to these, and all, longtime member communities. These *Bulletins* and other documents have been given to the Virginia Room in the City of Fairfax Regional Library, where Federation records are archived.

The late fifties and early sixties were very interesting times for Fairfax County. The files contain Federation positions and newspaper clippings on school integration, debate on the form of county government, and discussions of economic/industrial development. Although much of the county was agricultural, there was a need to plan for development associated with the opening of Dulles Airport and approval of the Reston "dream city". Further, Supervisor DeBell submitted a report that proposed exploring "the possibility of establishing in the County an institution of higher education of the highest caliber" with a desired student body range between 1,000 and 6,000. Even then, Fairfax County was reportedly fourth in the country in family median income. Amidst this, there was concern for others, and the files included a brochure on lower cost housing.

The Federation's statement to the Special Committee of the Virginia Education Association supported term limits for Public School Board appointees of County Supervisors. Of course, these positions are now directly elected by voters. A surprise Federation position was on County and School Advisory Committees, when the Federation's Executive Committee Concerning Citizens Committees stated "that there are relatively few occasions when a citizens committee is needed to advise the Board of Supervisors or the School Board"; whereas now the Federation is a strong supporter of, and participant in, over 18 County, School, and Regional Advisory Committees.

Mr. Maroni had been Chair of the Federation's Education Committee at one time, so I was especially interested in these documents. This time period was the beginning of a rapid growth for the public schools - student population increased from 88,500 in 1964-65 to an expected 96,000 a year later, and the number of elementary schools rose from 91 to 100 in those same years. The proposed budget handout was only four pages in length, and the proposed budget for 1965-66 was about \$56 million. The 1955 school bond referendum was for \$22 million and \$58.5 million in 1965. Times change and they are changing again.

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Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations

DRAFT RESOLUTION

Support for the 2008 Parks and Park Facilities Bond Referendum on the November 4, 2008 Ballot

(Approved by the Federation Board of Directors on September 25, 2008, for discussion and adoption at the October 16, 2008 membership meeting)

BACKGROUND. If approved by County voters on November 4, 2008, the referendum would authorize the sale of additional general obligation bonds by the County of Fairfax in the amount of \$77 million to be used as follows: \$14.38 million to acquire parkland through outright purchase, easements or other methods; \$1.48 million to extend trails and improve stream crossings; \$11.52 million to develop new features, including a skate park at Lake Fairfax Park and a small roll-top astronomical observatory at Observatory Park in Great Falls; \$19.74 million to overhaul recreational centers in Spring Hill, Lee District, Oak Marr and Providence; \$11.64 million for stewardship projects such as restoring Huntley Meadows Park wetlands; \$6.23 million to expand athletic field capacity, such as by adding lights and converting four grass playing fields to synthetic turf, whose extra durability and imperviousness to bad weather allow more people to use them more often; and \$12 million to provide Fairfax County's share of park facilities to be acquired, constructed, developed and equipped by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.

WHEREAS, a high-quality parks and open space system and recreation programs add value to the neighborhoods, homes, and businesses that it serves; and parks and recreational facilities contribute to property values and citizen well-being; and parks and recreational facilities are an important quality of life indicator identified by businesses and organizations as an economic development location determinant; and

WHEREAS, the existing Fairfax County parks system and recreation programs are of the highest quality, thereby providing the citizens of Fairfax County with all the benefits such a system and programs can provide; and surveys show that 80 percent of County households use and enjoy these parks and facilities; and

WHEREAS, many existing facilities are reaching the completion of their useful life, and county growth requires the acquisition and development of additional parks and facilities to meet needs; and surveys indicate that 80 percent of county residents endorse the renovation of existing facilities, as well as the acquisition and preservation of open space; and

WHEREAS, the Park Authority's user fees do not cover the cost of developing new facilities or the major renovation of existing facilities; and these improvements are mainly funded through general obligation bonds; and private sector and community-based cooperation will be sought to leverage the cost-effectiveness of acquisition monies through easements and donations of land and funds; and

WHEREAS, Fairfax County manages the issuance of bonds on an as-needed basis and within fiscally prudent levels so as to maintain the highest Triple-A ratings from Moody's Investors Service Inc., Standard & Poor's Corp., and Fitch Ratings;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations supports the 2008 Parks and Park Facilities Bond Referendum and urges its members to support the referendum in their communities and to vote for its approval.

Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations Membership Meeting of September 18, 2008

DRAFT MINUTES

(for approval at the October 16, 2008 membership meeting)

The September 18 membership meeting of FCFCA was held at the Packard Center at 7:30 p.m. (Attendance list is attached to file copy.) President Jeff Parnes spoke in praise of Sally Ormsby, who passed away earlier in the week. Among other roles at the Federation, she was the Chair of the Legislative and Budget Committees, and a past President and past Citizen of the Year. Those present observed a moment of silence.

Program

President Jeff Parnes then introduced the first of two speakers for the evening, Elizabeth Murray, executive director of the Fairfax Symphony Orchestra, which recently celebrated its 50th anniversary. This year, the orchestra is offering an unusual concert series as it selects its next musical director, who will succeed long-time music director William Hudson. The search has been narrowed from 249 applicants to six finalists. As part of the selection process, each finalist will conduct a different concert program in this year's series.

President Jeff Parnes then introduced the evening's main speaker, William Lecos, president of the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Lecos noted the long history of joint activities between the Chamber and the Federation, including co-sponsoring activities such as debates and issuing joint statements. He also noted that the Chamber had sponsored the senatorial debate that morning (September 18) between Mark Warner and Jim Gilmore.

He shared his personal reflections on Sally Ormsby, with whom he worked on several task forces and other bodies, beginning with the 1993 C-REX (Commission on Revenues and Expenses). He praised her involvement and knowledge of the process, including editing task force reports. He also noted that she helped name the Chamber's annual programs, Issues Fairfax, which bring together activists, businesses, non-profits, and others on big picture policy subjects such as land use planning. Issues Fairfax, which he said has been one of the Chamber's most successful programs, is now in its fifth year.

Shifting to the evening's planned topic, he noted that the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce speaks for a robust business community throughout the county. Its focus is often more policy-oriented, because there are also community Chambers of Commerce within the county for specific areas such as Herndon, Vienna, Springfield, and others. The Chamber advocates for the need to sustain excellence in Fairfax County as a key part of the business agenda; this includes schools, the environment, delivery of quality services, and the engagement of the business community in the life of the county. It argues for investing in schools, fire, police, and other services.

The next big set of issues in the county, he said, will involve continuing to manage our growth—to sustain excellence but through different tactics. The county is no longer a "green fields" setting with 100-acre lots available for development. The Laurel Hill (Lorton) redevelopment was the last chapter of that history. The next chapter will begin, he said, with the presentation of the Tysons Corner Task Force report to the Board of Supervisors on September 22. The report was produced through a 3 1/2 year

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Tribute to Sally B. Ormsby

As many of you know, longtime Federation Board member and Budget and Legislative Committees Chair, Sally Ormsby, passed away September 14, 2008 after a long battle with cancer. Whether or not you had the opportunity to meet Sally, she had a personal impact on all our lives through her many volunteer endeavors these past decades. The Federation is thankful that she chose to spend so much of her time working on behalf of our organization, and we will surely miss her unparalleled dedication. The Federation sends its deepest condolences to her husband, Clayt, and family.

The memorial service for Sally is scheduled for Saturday, October 18, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. at Providence Presbyterian Church, 9019 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax, Virginia.

The Ormsby family has set up a memorial fund through the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District, where Sally served as an elected Director. Contributions can be sent to the Sally B. Ormsby Memorial Fund, Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 905, Fairfax VA 22035-5500.

As a tribute to Sally, below is the article published in the 2006 Annual Banquet program, where Sally was honored as the 2006 Fairfax County Federation and *The Washington Post* Citizen of the Year.

As best stated in one of the numerous letters supporting Sally Ormsby for Citizen of the Year, "it is hard to remember a time when Sally wasn't deeply involved in helping shape Fairfax County public policy... we are indeed blessed to have a dedicated, intelligent citizen who can constructively approach issues within a deep and broad context of understanding."

For well over three decades, Sally Ormsby has personified the word 'dedication', serving as an effective and efficient citizen leader. During that time, she has been involved in countless projects resulting in major, positive impacts on county government and in the lives of all Fairfax County residents. Her organizational skills, grasp of state and local government, her environmental knowledge, and her amazing ability to remember facts have served us all well.

Whether through her extensive work with the Woodson High School PTA, Mantua Citizens' Association, Providence District Council of Civic Associations, Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations, League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area, Fairfax Committee of 100, Community Appearance Alliance, Park Partners, Citizens Committee on Land Use and Transportation, New Millennium Occoquan Watershed Task Force, Northern Virginia Regional Commission, or Fairfax County Virginia 2007 Committee, to name a few, or as a Director of the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District, Sally has served as the role model for effective community service. While many of these organizations are overlapping in nature, she understands the important differences of each, and the vital part each plays in the growth of Fairfax County and the Northern Virginia region as a whole.

Sally is a true civic leader: she doesn't wait to be asked, but

identifies a need and moves forward to take on the task. Her committed leadership, coupled with an ability to inspire others to get involved and seek positive change, is a permanent fixture in countless organizations, resulting in small efforts turning into large accomplishments that significantly improve the quality of life for all Fairfax County residents. Her historical memory and hours and years of public service are legendary. Another letter of support notes, "It's amazing that Sally's schedule somehow accommodates so many meetings and events."

One of Sally's greatest traits is her unselfish tenacity; she has always taken every available opportunity to contribute back the knowledge she gains in each endeavor to enhance efforts to undertake the next public policy challenge. Her persistence is best encountered when called to rise to a challenge. She was instrumental in leading the Mantua Citizens' Association through the aftermath of the disastrous tank farm fuel spill, resulting in action by the Environmental Protection Agency and Commonwealth that focused on protection and remediation efforts.

Sally's knowledge of the General Assembly and the legislative process adds a valuable component to many of the organizations on which she has served. She accomplishes a tremendous amount of behind the scenes research and writing, is superb at clearly defining issues, researching and developing options, and drafting resolutions. Her focus on detail is well known, and she can always be counted on to be thorough and very accurate. Her capacity for pursuing goals until positive solutions are achieved is unlimited.

Although her expertise in land use, transportation, and legislative matters is invaluable, Sally is best known for championing measures to preserve and improve our environment. She is an outstanding leader, innovator, and cheerleader on issues impacting the Potomac Watershed. Whether as an active member of both the Citizens Task Force on the Occoquan Basin or its successor, the New Millennium Occoquan Watershed Task Force, or in her many hours of detailed, respected, and varied testimonies on behalf of the environment before the Planning Commission, Board of Supervisors, and the Virginia General Assembly, she has served as a vocal and consistent advocate for the environment. Her leadership on the Potomac Watershed Roundtable has resulted in the group being the major functioning portion of a statewide effort to improve water quality. Always paramount in her mind and actions is her unwavering dedication to reducing pollution and protecting local, regional, and state waterways. Environmental preservation is a true passion for her, and her dedication to this passion is infectious. Fairfax County is cleaner, greener, and more caring because she has been an integral part of county life.

She is also the well-known unrelenting champion of the parks and recreation bond drives through her work with Park Partners, the Park Authority's leading advocacy group. Her leadership in this organization has resulted in the passage of each of the recent park bonds. Current and future residents will enjoy the parks and facilities funded by these bonds.

Sally is the epitome of citizen responsibility; her boundless energy and wellspring of solutions make her one of our county's most valuable citizens. Fairfax County is very fortunate to have benefited from her many contributions. This honor is extremely well deserved, and for her lifetime of outstanding dedicated commitment to Fairfax County, the Federation is proud to recognize Sally Ormsby as the 2006 Citizen of the Year.

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process involving 37 task force members, including him. [Note: John Jennison has been the Federation representative to the task force.] The plan, he said, is transformational and aspirational. It envisions redeveloping Tysons Corner so that it becomes the first "edge city" to become a real city, one that will feel like Clarendon, Ballston, or Rosslyn. The plan covers an area of 1800 acres that would stretch from the Capitol to Georgetown if superimposed on a D.C. map. The changes would occur as Tysons continues to serve as the economic center of the county, a logistical challenge that he compared to heart surgery while the patient is on a treadmill.

At present, there are 17,000 residents of the Tysons Corner area, but 167,000 parking spaces and 40 million square feet of parking. The current ratio of jobs to homes is more than 10 to 1. (He later stated it is 11 to 1, and that the plan seeks to reduce the ratio to 6 to 1.) This ratio needs to change through encouragement of additional residential options. Overall, the plan aims to absorb much of the projected residential growth in the county over 30 years, which is projected to equal the growth that occurred in the last 30 years. The plan is absolutely hinged on the addition of four Metrorail stations in Tysons, but its major emphasis is to make changes that encourage pedestrian travel and circulator buses within the area. If successful, the plan could also be a model for other places within the county and around the country.

As planned, there was then a more general question and answer session on a variety of subjects. In response to questions, Mr. Lecos noted that BRAC, if done right, could be the catalyst to revive the southern part of the county. The remaining piece is the placement of 6700 workers in the Washington Administrative Support Group, who will not be based at Fort Belvoir or the Engineering Proving Grounds but at a third location, in order to reduce congestion. Originally, the county hoped they would be located at the old GSA warehouses near the Springfield Metro, providing an economic boost for Springfield and minimizing the traffic impact. Unfortunately, he said, it looked likely that they would instead be located at one of two sites within Alexandria, neither of which has as strong a Metrorail connection.

He also answered questions about the future of residential neighborhoods just outside the Tysons Corner plan area, about several major planned projects along the Route One corridor which are raising local concerns about traffic volume, about the community development authority process in Merrifield, about the likely impact of the economic and real-estate downturn on the county budget and the school system budget, about the HOT lanes project, and about the greater use of rail in local transit options.

Business Meeting

- a. The minutes for the June 19 membership meeting were unanimously approved.
- b. The proposed Federation budget for 2008-09, which was prepared by Treasurer Scott Schlegel and reviewed by the Board over the summer, was presented to the membership. A motion to approve the budget was made and seconded and the budget was unanimously approved.
- c. President Jeff Parnes noted that the Board positions of Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary are vacant. If you would like more information about either position or know of someone who might be interested, please contact him directly through the Federation website.

President Jeff Parnes also noted new, key vacancies due to Sally Ormsby's death. For many years, Sally served as the

Legislative Chair and Budget Chair. In these roles, she drafted the Federation's annual legislative package and chaired the membership meeting at which the package was reviewed, amended, and approved. The Federation's positions were then presented to the joint northern Virginia delegation in January. She also, each year, drafted the Federation's resolution on the proposed county budget, which was similarly discussed, amended, and approved by the membership and became the basis of Federation testimony before the Board of Supervisors. The Federation Board is actively searching for a volunteer or volunteers to complete these tasks for this year, when decreased local and state revenues will force difficult budget choices. The Board is also seeking to fill two other committee chairmanships, for Human Services and Public Safety. Again, please contact Jeff Parnes directly through the Federation website if you would like to learn more about any of these positions.

e. Jeff Parnes reported that the new electronic distribution of the Federation's newsletter, *The Bulletin*, has now been implemented. With a few exceptions, including the archival copy for the county library system, the newsletter will now be distributed by e-mail. He also noted that Carol Hawn would be providing the Board with the 2008-09 deadlines to submit copy for the newsletter and that he has been creating a new membership database. He encourages associations which are renewing their membership to do so online via the Federation website to avoid questions about hand-written e-mail addresses that may arise from hand-written forms.

f. Under new business, Charles Dane, chair of the Education Committee, reported that the School Board was voting on the same night regarding the proposed consolidation of FCPS administrative facilities. He also reported that the county is soliciting input on broad budget priorities through community dialogue sessions, for which registration is required; the last of these is in November.

g. Also under new business, Gail Parker briefly addressed the meeting on the peak oil issue.

h. Jeff Parnes reported that the Innisfree Community Association is seeking advice on filing a lien. Two members of the audience agreed to provide information on the topic.

i. Jeff Parnes reviewed the year's calendar. October: Greater Washington 2050; November: Cool Communities; December: Legislative package; January: School budget; February: TBD; March: County budget; April: Report from Federation Representatives; May: Report from Richmond on General Assembly session; June: picnic and Board of Supervisors Chair.

j. Merrily Pierce reminded the group that the November 4 election will include a park bond referendum and suggested that the Federation may wish to put forward a resolution of support. She noted and praised Sally Ormsby's work in past years (outside of the Federation) in organizing support for past bond referenda, including producing yard signs and other publicity.

k. John Jennison noted that the Citizen of the Year Committee, which he chairs as past president, will be advertising soon for nominations for this honor.

l. Charles Dane reported that the Education Committee just had its first meeting of the 2008-09 year, which included a presentation on gifted and talented programs in the county,

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now being called Advanced Achievement.

m. Flint Webb, chair of the Environment Committee, reported that the Clean Air Interstate Rule (CAIR) has been vacated by the courts (the rule addresses air pollution in our region that was emitted elsewhere, typically in the Ohio River valley). In the absence of this rule, it will be difficult for our region to attain its particulate or PM standards. However, the ruling does not void certain other limits and caps, such as on NOx, which are now allocated differently, but still addressed. The region's state implementation plans (SIPs) are now not approvable because they relied upon CAIR, and the same applies to the modeling done to date. Resolution of this issue remains uncertain. Meanwhile, a regional climate change report has been produced. Flint is also serving on a panel for the Northern Virginia tree forum, which will address ways to encourage residents and local associations to plant trees to meet tree canopy and climate change goals.

o. Charles Dane, as First Vice President, reported that 22 associations have paid their 2008-09 membership dues. A reminder will be sent to those associations from whom dues have not yet been received.

p. Jeff Parnes reported, in Roger Hoskins's absence, on a recent Transportation Advisory Committee meeting. The schedule for HOT lanes envisions addition of new outer lanes to the Beltway by 2010, permitting creation and opening of the HOT lanes by 2012. About 50 bridges crossing the Beltway will also be affected and all will have pedestrian and bicycle links, although in some cases there are not yet paths or trails connecting to them. This is a design-build project, meaning that building will commence while some aspects of the design are still being completed.

q. Art Wells reported from Braddock that the September district council meeting included speakers on the county transit plan and on the county's assistance on the television transition to high definition. The October 24 meeting will deal with issues of land use, the environment, and development. Supervisor Sharon Bulova is planning a town meeting on October 21 on the county fiscal situation.

r. Jim Davis reported from Mount Vernon on concerns about several high-density projects at Engleside and Woodlawn, Hybla Valley, and Penn Daw, among other locations. These raise transportation issues all the way from the Beltway to Fort Belvoir.

s. Flint Wood reported from Providence that the year's first meeting included an excellent presentation on identity theft by Officer Wolf.

t. Don Hinman reported on progress on the booklet text he has worked on with the county on how a community releases a developer's bond, but wishes to get more feedback. Jim Colby and he will work together offline on the document. Jeff Parnes noted that the Federation at one time had an Association Services Committee and that Don may wish to consider reviving this position.

u. Esther Ferington noted the Federation is seeking a new representative for the Airports Advisory Committee. The current representative is willing to continue to serve in the meantime, but often encounters schedule conflicts. Please contact Esther, the Second Vice President, through the Federation website if you are interested in learning more

about this position.

v. Merrill Pierce reported that, before her death, Sally Ormsby stored her Federation-related records in the Virginia Room of the Fairfax County library system, where the Federation will have total access to those records. Sally Ormsby also gave the Virginia Room the 1953-1968 records which were recently returned to the Federation. These will be formally cataloged.

w. At the suggestion of President Jeff Parnes, it was moved, seconded, and unanimously agreed that the Federation donate \$100 in Sally Ormsby's memory to the fund or organization her family designates for memorial contributions.

Next Membership Meeting: October 16, Greater Washington 2050.

Next Board Meeting: September 25.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations

DRAFT RESOLUTION

Honoring Sally B. Ormsby

(Approved by the Federation Board of Directors on September 25, 2008, for discussion and adoption at the October 16, 2008 membership meeting)

WHEREAS, Hon. Sally B. Ormsby served her neighborhood as a leader in the Mantua Elementary PTA, the Woodson High School PTA, the Mantua Citizens' Association, and the Providence District Council of Civic Associations;

WHEREAS, Hon. Sally B. Ormsby served her County as a leader in the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations, the Fairfax Committee of 100, the Citizens Committee on Land Use and Transportation, and numerous study groups and task forces;

WHEREAS, Hon. Sally B. Ormsby served Northern Virginia as a leader in the League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area, the Community Appearance Alliance of Northern Virginia, the New Millennium Occoquan Watershed Task Force, the Potomac Watershed Roundtable, the Northern Virginia Regional Commission, Park Partners support of "Yes" votes on November ballot bond referenda, and as a voter-elected Director of the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District;

WHEREAS, Hon. Sally B. Ormsby served her Providence Presbyterian Church as an active Member, Life Elder and Clerk of Session;

WHEREAS, Hon. Sally B. Ormsby supported the two-party system as a longtime member of the Democratic County Committee and as a candidate for the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Hon. Sally B. Ormsby's long years of outstanding service to the community were recognized by her 2006 designation as Fairfax County "Citizen of the Year" by the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations and *The Washington Post*;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation petition the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to designate October 26 in 2009, which would have been her 73rd birthday, as "SALLY ORMSBY DAY" in Fairfax County.

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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 or other emergency, the Federation will not hold that event. This does not pertain to regularly scheduled closures. Membership meetings will not be rescheduled, although speakers may be asked to attend an upcoming meeting. We will make every attempt to post the cancellation on www.fairfaxfederation.org or you can call 703-266-6872 for more information.

Directions to the

Packard Center

4022 Hummer Road
Annandale, Virginia

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 on the left.

Keep right to the large parking lot.

Please use the left entrance into the
Packard Center Building;
ring the doorbell for entrance.

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