

**Membership Meeting Agenda**  
*7:30 pm, Thursday, September 15, 2011*

**Call to Order/Welcome – Tania Hossain**

**Today's Programming: Conservation – From Backyard to Community presented by George Lamb**

Conservation in the United States has a long and proud tradition. One hundred and seven years ago, John Muir convinced Teddy Roosevelt to go camping in the Yosemite Valley. Over three days he lobbied the President to create a national park to preserve the valley and a stand of giant redwoods. In the 1930's great dust storms that ravaged the Midwest had moved east and "blotted out the sun over the nation's capital and drove grit between the teeth of New Yorkers." Thus was born the Soil Conservation Districts that restored conservation on our farm lands. Today we live and work in very different ways than John Muir and the 1930's farmers, yet we inhabit the same lands as they did. In this talk we'll discuss what it means to be a 21st century conservationist in Fairfax County, what is being done to advance the Fairfax County environmental agenda, and how to participate in an urban conservation ethic.

George Lamb was appointed as a Director of the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District to fill the seat of the late Sally Ormsby in 2009. Over the past two years he's learned much about practical conservation and realized that very few people have the opportunity or experience to practice conservation. He spends weekends fighting invasive plants in his backyard and chasing his two daughters. He is also Vice Chair of the Fairfax County Environmental Quality Advisory Council (EQAC), which is appointed by the Board of Supervisors to advise them on environmental issues across the County.

▶ **Administrative Topics** – Tania Hossain

- **Bulletin/Newsletter** – Fred Costello
- **Approval of May Membership Meeting Minutes** – Ed Wyse
- **Treasurer's Report** – Scott Schlegel

▶ **Old Business**

▶ **New and Miscellaneous Business**

Audit Committee Report – Bill Hanks

▶ **Board & Committee Reports**

- Association Services – Don Hinman
- Budget – Charlie Hall and Carey Campbell
- Education & Youth – Leonard Bumbaca, Tim Tompson and Ed Saperstein
- Environment - Flint Webb and Roger Dietrich
- Human Services – Cherie Tripp Lejeune
- Land Use- Fred Costello
- Legislation – Frank Anderson and Jason Ha
- Membership – Don Hinman
- Public Safety – Gail Parker
- Resolutions – Bill Hanks
- Transportation – Jeff Parnes and Carey Campbell
- Website – Jeff Parnes

▶ **District Council Reports** (Dranesville & Hunter Mill - N/A)

- Braddock - Art Wells
- Lee – Don Hinman
- Mason – Keith Taggard
- Mt. Vernon – Karen Pohoryo
- Providence – Flint Webb
- Sully - Jeff Parnes
- Springfield - Mike Thompson

**Next Meetings: Board Meeting is on September 22 and Membership Meeting is on October 20**