



**February
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Newsletter**

Hunter Mill Highlights

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Hunter Mill Highlights is my electronic newsletter. Please share this issue with your organizations. To be added to our mailing list, e-mail us at hntmill@fairfaxcounty.gov

Dear Hunter Mill Friends,

The 7x earthquake physically and psychologically shook Haiti, causing rumbles of destruction that resonated throughout the island and the world. Each time I hear of an earthquake or other international or national disaster, I next listen to whether the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department Virginia Task Force I (VATF-I) will be deployed to assist.

Sponsored by the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, VATF-I was established in 1986 as a domestic and international disaster response resource. Its roster includes approximately 200 specially trained career and volunteer fire and rescue personnel, with expertise in the rescue of victims from collapsed structures following a natural or man-made disaster. The team also includes an array of civilian specialists from technical fields including medicine, engineering, communications and canine support. VATF-I is deployed by United States Agency for International Development (USAID) for foreign events, or Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for domestic events. The sponsoring agency covers all cost for deployment, special training, as well as maintaining emergency response level at home.

As I look at all the snow and think of what we consider challenges, I am reminded these specially trained men and women of VATF-I are utilizing the same skills to protect us everyday. They are helping to free families from caving roofs and other calamities of the snow. We remember their work at the Pentagon on September 11 and in Mt Vernon communities for the floods. They are ready whenever called, wherever needed, joined by their Fire and Rescue colleagues.

Fairfax County citizens are proud and grateful for the exceptional work of VATF-I in Haiti. The team spent 16 days deployed and rescued 16 people. Support for the team and the family members was demonstrated as the Board of Supervisors joined family members and the Fairfax county family as the team returned home. As I stood among the families and watched as the members entered the Fire Academy, I thought of the contrasting scene we were sharing and the scene VATF-I left in Haiti. How fortunate to have such dedicated, carrying and well-trained personnel supporting our community everyday! Join us in sending a special thanks as the Board recognizes VATF-I at the March 9th Board meeting.

Cathy Hudgins

Firefighters Support Hunter Mill Coat Closet

Fairfax County Station 25 (Reston-Wiehle Avenue) and Battalion I of the Reston-Herndon-Great Falls area collected and delivered boxes of new coats to the Hunter Mill Coat Closet.

I really appreciate these efforts, as do those whom these coats will warm. Thank you!!



Deloitte to Provide Families with Free Tax Assistance

WHO: Deloitte Tax LLP, Fairfax County Department of Family Services and Volunteer Fairfax

Deloitte will sponsor its third Community Tax Assistance Day. This program offers free assistance with 2009 Federal tax returns for households with a total income of \$49,000 or less.

In addition, at 2:00 p.m., Deloitte will host a counseling session for participants interested in learning more about how to navigate the college financial aid process. This class will provide tips to increase chances of securing financial aid for which participants are eligible. Free onsite child-care is available to families as well. For more information, please visit www.nvacash.org.

WHEN: Saturday, February 20 (rescheduled from Feb. 6)
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
College financial aid class at 2:00 p.m.

WHERE: Bryant Alternative High School
2709 Popkins Lane
Alexandria, VA 22306

For more information, please visit www.volunteerfairfax.org or contact Emily Swenson, eswenson@volunteerfairfax.org, or 703-246-3474.

People seeking tax assistance should bring the following:

- Photo ID
- Social Security cards and birthdates for the taxpayer, spouse and dependents.
- If married and filing a joint return, both spouses must be present.
- Wage and earnings statements: W-2, W-2G, and all Form 1099's received.
- Unemployment compensation, Form 1099G.
- Interest and dividend statements.
- Day care expenses paid in 2009 and the day care provider's name, address and federal ID number.
- Student loan interest payments.
- Record tuition or student loan payments, 1098-E.
- A copy of last year's federal and state returns.
- Record of any Sales Tax paid on new vehicles purchased in 2009.
- Record of any Real Estate Taxes paid in 2009.
- Record of any Economic Recovery Payment received from SSA, RRB or Veterans Administration.

Status of Hunter Mill District Projects

Reston Excelsior LLC

PRC 86-C-121-03 - Development of two residential buildings on Tax Map 017-4((01))007B - Oracle Campus. Town Center Concept Plan (CPA 86-C-121-8-3) to permit the development with a maximum of 457 units and a maximum height of 180 feet. Planning Commission public hearing is currently scheduled for April 29, 2010 @ 8:15 p.m.

Fairway Apartments Redevelopment Proposal

Fairway I & II Residential LLC (Applicant) has filed a Planned Residential Community (PRC) Plan (**PRC A-502-2**) to convert the existing Fairway Apartments consisting of 346 units with 543 parking spaces. The Applicant is proposing the following: Fairway East section will consist of 370 multi-family units with 593 parking spaces. Fairway West will consist of 593 multi-family units, 31 single family attached units, 8,000 square feet of retail with 985 parking spaces @ Tax Map 17-2((18))1 and 17-2((19))2A. **The Planning Commission public hearing is currently scheduled for March 18, 2010.**

Wiehle Avenue Metrorail Station Area

Comstock Reston Station Holdings, LC (Applicant) has filed **RZ/FDP 2009-HM-019** to reclassify an assemblage of property at the planned Wiehle Avenue Metro Station area from Industrial Category -4 to Planned Development Commercial District for a mixed-use Transit Oriented Development project. The development proposes to include approximately 497,300 to 747,030 square feet of office, up to 250,000 square feet of hotel, 511,170 square feet of residential and 70,000 to 130,000 square feet of support retail. The project will also incorporate a 2,300+ space multi-deck parking garage for the Metro station @ 1860 Wiehle Ave. & 11465 Sunset Hills Rd. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for March 25, 2010 and the Board of Supervisor's public hearing is scheduled for April 27, 2010.**

Nuggett Joint Venture

Nuggett Joint Venture (Applicant) is seeking to rezone **RZ/FDP 2009-HM-017** from the Planned Development Commercial District (PDC) to the Planned Residential Mix-Use (PRM) District to permit Transit Oriented Development (TOD) on this site near the Rt. 28 CIT Transit Station pending Out-of-Turn Plan Amendment - SO7-III-UP2. The Applicant is proposing residential, office, and retail, Tax Map 15-2((1)) 13 and 15-4((5))5B. Deferred indefinitely.

Reston Hospital Center, LLC

Reston Hospital Center, LLC (Applicant) has filed **RZ/PRC 2009-HM-014 and PCA 89C-025-05 / DPA 89-C-025-04** to reclassify the property from Commercial-Category 3, Commercial-Category-4 and Planned Residential Community (PRC) Districts to PRC and to permit an additional 152 beds, two level addition to the Pavilion Medical Office building and one six story medical center @ 1850 Town Center Parkway. The Reston Planning and Zoning voted to recommend approval of these applications. Because of an advertisement problem, the Planning Commission public hearing has been rescheduled for March 9, 2010 @ 8:15 and the Board of Supervisors' public hearing is scheduled for March 9, 2010.

RAJ Development LLC - 1841 Explorer Street, Reston

RAJ Development proposes to convert the current Windwood Child Center to a multi-family residential building with first and second floor retail, third floor child care center, and residential above (CPA 86-C-121-12 and PRC 86-C-121-12). The Reston Planning and Zoning Committee voted to recommend approval of these applications. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for April 22, 2010.**

Reston Master Plan Special Study Task Force

Task Force Members

Nicholas Bauer
At-large

John Anderson Carter
At-large

Michael Cooper
Brandywine Realty Trust

Mike Corrigan
Reston Citizens Association

Stephanie Cortelyou
At-large

Frederick Costello
At-large

Frank de la Fe
Planning Commission (Ex-Officio)

Van Foster
Reston Community Reinvestment Corp.

Robert Goudie
Reston Town Center - Residential

Arthur Hill
Reston Planning and Zoning

William Keefe
Reston Community Center

Mark Looney
Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce

Arthur Murphy
Reston Planning and Zoning

Patricia Nicoson
Dulles Corridor Rail Association

Peter Ottenti
Boston Properties

Judith Pew
At-large

Greg Riegler
Western Alliance for Rail to Dulles

John Schlichting
JBG Companies

Jay Seidenstricker
Reston Town Center - Commercial

Robert Simon
At-large

Paul Thomas
Reston Association

Phil Tobey
Western Alliance for Rail to Dulles

Gerald Volloy
Alliance of Reston Cluster & HO

Robert Walker
Reston Planning and Zoning

Kohann Williams
At-Large

Task Force Update

On January 26, 2010 the Reston Master Plan Special Study Task Force hosted a community workshop to discuss the process for establishing “Guiding Principles for the Reston Master Plan” update.

Heidi Merkel discussed the purpose and presented staff’s “strawman” principles. The presentation can be found @ http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/reston/principles_presentation_rmp_tf_mtg_cmtty_mtg1-26-10.pdf

The following community members provided an overview of proposed principles drafted by their respective organizations/committees:

Gerald Volloy - ARCH,
Richard Stilson – Co-chair of the Reston 2020 Committee
Kathy Kaplan - Guy Rando – Kathy Kaplan /Citizen Group #1

After the various presentations, Ms. Merkel opened the floor for community members to provide comments, express ideas and ask questions. Large printouts of the Principles presented by each organization/committee and staff were distributed around the room. Each attendee received nine dots and was asked to place the dots on the principles that had the greatest importance. The Planning Staff collected the information and will prioritize the principles based on the number of dots received by each principle.

Because of inclement weather the February 9th meeting was cancelled. The next meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2010, 7:00 p.m. @ the Reston Community Center – Lake Anne Village Center, Gallery Room.

The Department of Planning and Zoning has established a Reston Master Plan Special Study Webpage where information associated with the study and Task Force meetings will be provided: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/reston.htm .

Community meetings will be held throughout the planning process to provide interested citizens with an update and opportunity for input.

Task Force Schedule

Meetings start at 7:00 p.m. and (except with *) will be held at Lake Anne Village Center, 1609-A Washington Plaza, starting at 7:00 p.m. Check the [Hunter Mill District website](#) for location of * dates.

Upcoming meetings are;

02/23/2010
03/09/2010
*03/23/2010
04/13/2010

Questions on the Reston Master Plan Special Study or the Task Force should be directed to the Hunter Mill office at 703-478-0283, or e-mail at hntmill@fairfaxcounty.gov

Transportation

Parking at Park and Rides

There is an increase in complaints about people parking at the ends of aisles at the Herndon-Monroe Park and Ride and at the Wiehle Avenue Park and Ride. Starting in February, the Police will strictly enforce new county parking regulations. Avoid a \$50 fine. Park only in designated parking spaces at these locations.

Parking Code Changes for Commercial Vehicles

Our office used to receive dozens of calls a week from people who had complaints about commercial vehicle parking in residential communities. Some of the solutions over the years have been implementation of community parking districts (CPD's) and Residential Permit Parking Districts (RPPD's) but these measures are only effective in limited areas. After the implementation of the Reston Large Area Community Parking District in January, 2009, and implementation of Large Area CPD's in Mount Vernon and Lee Districts, these complaints are down in the county. We are in the process of expanding the Reston Large Area CPD. The County has also revised the parking code to clarify enforcement. Below are some of those changes. Additional information is on the County's website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/parkingcodechanges.htm>

Commercial Vehicles include:

- ◆ Any solid waste collection vehicle
- ◆ Tractor / Trailer combination or apart
- ◆ Dump Truck
- ◆ Concrete Mixer Truck
- ◆ Towing or Recovery Vehicle 12,000 lbs GVW or greater
- ◆ Heavy Construction Equipment
- ◆ Trailer or other vehicle which food or beverages are stored or sold
- ◆ Trailer used to transport landscaping or lawn equipment
- ◆ Contract Carrier or Limousine**1
- ◆ Vehicle over 21 feet in length including appurtenances**2
- ◆ Vehicle over eight feet in height including appurtenances**2
- ◆ Vehicle over 102 inches in width**2
- ◆ Vehicle with gross weight of 12,000 pounds or more**2
- ◆ Vehicle carrying commercial freight in plain view
- ◆ Any trailer or semi trailer attached or not to another vehicle**3



Exceptions:

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One vehicle per single family dwelling unit is permitted (house, apartment, condo, etc) The vehicle must be registered in Virginia to the address (dual registration is OK (DC and VA, etc.)

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- ◆ Vehicles used by a public service company as defined in 56.1, or others working on their behalf are allowed. Vehicles providing cable television services, such as Cox Cable 56.2-2108.1 are also allowed.
- ◆ School buses used on a current and regular basis to pick up students are permitted.
- ◆ Properly placarded private vehicles used to transport disabled persons are permitted.
- ◆ Moving vehicles such as a U-haul truck are permitted within 48 hours of the execution of the leasing contract.
- ◆ Vehicles used in the provision of propane gas service are also permitted

**3

Vehicles designed to be used as a camper or boat trailer or a single axle utility trailer are permitted, as long as the roadway has not been designated as part of a Community Parking District, 82-5B-7.

Cross County Trail Improvements at Dulles Toll Road Bridges

The Park Authority will begin upgrading a section of the Cross County Trail (CCT) under the Dulles Toll Road bridges at Difficult Run. Major flooding has caused the area to significantly degrade and staff has heard numerous complaints for trail users.

The project work will include:

- ◆ Construction of 390 linear feet of 6' wide concrete stream valley trail and gabion matting under the four Dulles Toll Road bridges at Difficult Run,
- ◆ Construction of 150 linear feet of 8' wide gravel trail upstream of the Dulles Toll Road bridges,
- ◆ Installation of warning signs, rip rap and other material related to the bridge underpass.

Work is anticipated to begin in February 2010 and be completed within 60 days.

Proposed Fee Changes for Park Authority Sites and Services

You are invited to comment on the proposed changes to the Park Authority's fee structure that may raise, reduce, create or eliminate fees. Information outlining all the proposed fee changes is available online at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/2010feemeeting.htm> and desk copies are available at Park Authority offices, part facilities, RECenters, golf courses, nature centers and historic sites. Submit your comments by email at parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov, or mailto: Attention Public Information Office/Fee Comments, Fairfax County Park Authority, 12055 Government Center Parkway Suite 927, Fairfax, VA 22035. Public comments will be accepted through February 16th.

From the Park Authority:

Rainbow Trout Fishing at Lake Fairfax

It's time to grab your gear and join in the fun and excitement of the spring 2010 rainbow trout fishing season at Lake Fairfax Park. The season will run from February 19 through April 23, 2010. Stocking dates are set for February 19, March 5, March 19, April 2 and April 16. (Trout will not be stocked at Lake Accotink Park this year due to construction on the dam.) Anglers can try their luck from the shores of Lake Fairfax between 7 a.m. and dusk.



Every effort is made to cover costs of the trout stocking program through participant fees in order to minimize the burden on county taxpayers. Season pass prices from those 16 years of age and older are \$37; anglers between ages 6-15 and 64 years of age and older are just \$32. Daily pass prices for those 16 and older are \$12; ages 6-15 and 64 years and older are \$10. Passes can be purchased at the park.



Under this program, all Virginia game and fishing laws apply including a six fish daily limit and the requirement for those 16 years and older to carry a current Virginia fishing license. In addition, all persons fishing in the park's stocked waters must comply with the rules of the trout fishing program. This includes the requirement to purchase a park fishing pass prior to fishing displaying a fishing pass at all times, abiding by the one pole per person rule and all other rules outlined on the pass. A State issued trout stamp is not required because the Park Authority's trout stocking program is not funded by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.

Lake Fairfax is located at 1400 Lake Fairfax Drive in Reston. For more information, call 703-471-5415.



Update from the Farm Frying Pan Farm Park



Mae, a Suffolk ewe, delivered triplet girls in the main barn just as the snow began to fall. This is the first of three more ewes due to give birth in the next two weeks.

Come on out and enjoy all the animals at [Frying Pan Farm Park](#), 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon.

Recreation Vouchers for Children of Deployed Parent(s)

Fairfax County Community and Recreation Services (CRS) and the Park Authority allow children whose parent(s) are deployed to participate in a variety of recreational activities for free through a voucher program, administered by CRS.

Vouchers valued up to \$250 per child (depending on the chosen activity) may be used for camps; a variety of CRS and Park Authority recreational activities; and for registration in various independently funded sports leagues in the county. [Information](#), [voucher application](#), [Park Authority programs](#).

For further information, contact Katina Matthews, 703-326-6564.



Tapestry for Tomorrow Art Competition Gets Underway For All Ages

The Department of Community and Recreation's **Tapestry for Tomorrow** contest provides youth, teens, adults, and this year, senior adult, the opportunity to express themselves creatively, to receive positive recognition for original works of art inspired by the theme "Building for Tomorrow". Self-exploration and appreciation for the arts is the primary goal of the Tapestry initiative. How do you show the idea of "Building a Better Tomorrow" in a work of art or a photograph? That is the challenge for this year's Tapestry of Tomorrow Art Competition.

If you are a resident in Fairfax County and registered as a participant in a CRS program or center (teen or senior), or the Middle School After School Program, you are eligible to participant. And, if you are not a member, it is never too late to become one. Call your area community, teen or senior center right away to get involved. A listing of all CRS facilities and programs are [online](#).

Artwork must be original work of only one person, two-dimensional art and photography, and must relate to the theme. The artwork will be judged in the appropriate category. Categories are: Youth grades K-5 (ages 5-10), Middle School grades 6-8 (ages 11-13), High School grades 9-12 (ages 14-19), Adults ages 20-54, and Senior Adults ages 55 or older.

Registration for the contest is free. Everyone who enters will receive a Tapestry for Tomorrow T-shirt and certificate. Five prizes valued up to \$500 will be awarded to those who best capture the concept of the theme "Building a Better Tomorrow." For entry packet and details visit our web site at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rec or call 703-324-8336, TTY 711. Deadline for entries is Saturday, March 12, 2010.

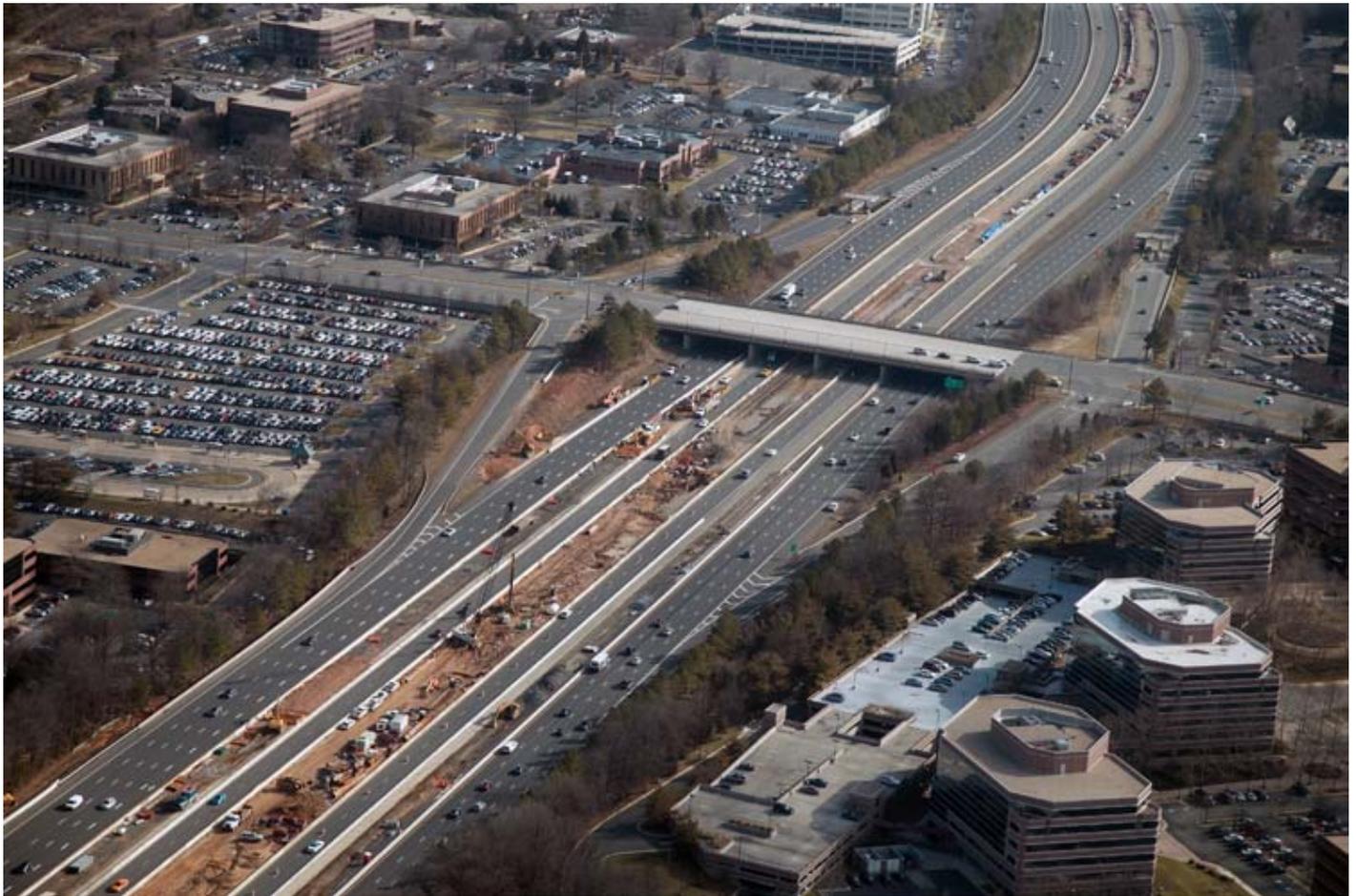
Notices



Citizens representing Fairfax County's Long Term Coordinating Council (LTCCC) recently paid me a visit to my office in Reston to present a 2009 report entitled "Creating Partnerships and Building Community" authored by the LTCCC and highlighting the accomplishments of the 45 member Council.

Pictured are (l-r) Norine Swaminatha, Community Services Manager-Alzheimer's Association ; Judy Ratliff, LCSW; Christine Hyland, Executive Director-Life Circle Alliances; Supervisor Catherine M. Hudgins; Patricia Williams, Founder-Graceful Care; C. J. Bisik, Financial Advisor-Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.

Construction at Wiehle Avenue and Dulles Toll Road



from Virginia MegaProjects

WIEHLE AVENUE RAIL STATION PROGRESS: This birds-eye view of the east bound Dulles Toll Road and the Airport Access Highway shows preliminary construction work on the Wiehle Avenue Metrorail Station now being built east in the median of those two roadways between Wiehle Avenue and Reston Parkway. For additional project information, visit www.dullesmetro.com

Events

Reminder from **Stuart Gibson** - Hunter Mill District Representative to the FCPS School Board

Saturday, February 20

The Fairfax County School Board will host a "Budget Forum" at Marshall HS, from 9 am to noon, on Saturday, February 20, 2010.

Learn about the school budget adopted by the School Board on February 4, and about what you can do to support it.

Sunday Matinee Movie: *Pinocchio*, showings at noon and 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 21

Frying Pan Farm Park Visitor Center

Don't miss Jiminy Cricket, Gepetto the toymakers, Figuro the cat and memorable music during a matinee showing of *Pinocchio*. The Academy Award winning film, released in 1940, features the adventures of a little wooden puppet that longs to be a boy. After the movie, take a winter stroll and visit the many farm babies born in late winter. The G-rated film and far visit are free. For information, call 703-437-9101.

Electric Sunday: 10 AM to 3 PM at the I-66 Transfer Station

Sunday, February 28

4618 West Ox Road, Fairfax

Fairfax County residents may use each Electric Sunday recycling event to recycle televisions, computers, monitors and peripheral electronic devices such as printers, scanners, speakers, keyboards, mice and external drives. Residents may also recycle their fluorescent lights at these events. This is a free service for Fairfax County residents thank to our partnership with Covanta Energy, Inc.

First Monday with Supervisor Hudgins: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Monday, March 1

Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Avenue East, Vienna

You are invited to share your concerns and questions directly with Supervisor Hudgins on the first Monday of each month at First Mondays. Months will alternate between Reston Regional Library in Reston and the Patrick Henry Library in Vienna. If you desire, appointments can be scheduled by calling the Hunter Mill District office at 703-478-0283. *(See page 2 for complete schedule of First Monday sessions.)*

Dates to Remember

(indicates page for additional information in this newsletter)

Monday, February 15

County Offices and libraries are closed for Presidents' Day

Tuesday, February 23

Board of Supervisors Meeting begins at 9:30 a.m.

Reston Master Plan Special Study Task Force meeting at 7:00 p.m. (p. 5)

Sunday, February 28

Electric Sunday - recycling for computer and electronics at I-66 Transfer Station (see above)

Monday, March 1

First Monday with Supervisor Hudgins at Reston Regional Library: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (p. 2)

Wednesday, March 3

Hunter Mill District Budget Meeting at Reston Community Center at Lake Anne, 7 p.m. (p. 2)