



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,

Welcome to summer! As we kick into summer 2010, it seems like a time to slow down but there is much going on in the Hunter Mill district, both business wise and fun. On the business side, many district and County projects and programs are in full gear. Some of the major projects that I have been and continue working on are:

- ◆ Tysons Corner Plan Amendment that will guide the development of the areas around the new metro stations and beyond was approved by the Board. What was once farmland will be transformed to a smart-growth, transit oriented development, bring vibrancy to the area. As the Plan is implemented, I will remain engaged ensure the new development will complement and not encroach on our nearby stable residential neighborhoods.
- ◆ Metro funding for the capital program, including funds for new rail cars, was also approved by the Board. As the Fairfax representative to the Metro Board, I have also worked with state officials to ensure the system receives the approved dedicated funding to match new federal dollars. We will continue to have a conversation with the Commonwealth about Metro Board governance.
- ◆ Route 28 Metro Station Study is underway to begin the planning process for this station area in the Phase 2 Dulles Corridor section of the Metro Silver Line.
- ◆ Reston Master Plan Special Study Task Force will continue their work over the summer on planning for the coming of Metro and future development around the stations.

July is also the start of the Fiscal 2011 Budget. Starting this month, we will start to see some of the impact the budget reductions will have on our County services and programs. Included in this issue are the changes in our Fairfax County library hours.

These next few months are sure to be busy, which is all the more reason to keep the dialogue open and take the time to enjoy the community we value so much. I hope to see you at one of the many hometown festivals and celebrations, at the free *Hunter Mill Melodies* concerts, or enjoying the fresh produce at the farmers' markets. I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you out and about in Hunter Mill.

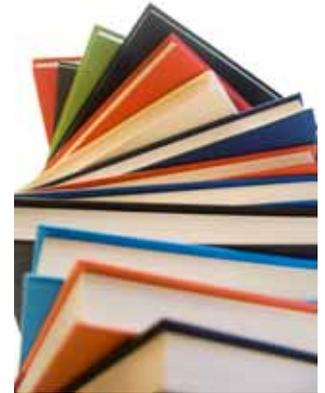
Latest Hunter Mill Announcements

New Library Hours Begin July 1st

As a result of budget belt-tightening, Fairfax County Public Library will change their hours effective July 1st. Regional and community library branches will alternative morning and evening hours four days a week allowing customers to access a library somewhere in the county from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The change represents a reduction in the overall number of hours the library is open each week, but allows branches to extend their evening hours until 9 p.m.

New hours at are;

	<u>Regional Branches</u>	<u>Community Branches</u>
Monday	1 p.m. - 9 p.m.	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Tuesday	10 a.m. - 9 p.m.	1 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Wednesday	1 p.m. - 9 p.m.	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Thursday	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.	1 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.	No Sunday hours



Additional information and online transactions (browsing the catalog, reserve a book, register for events, etc.) can be done via the library's website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library>.

First Mondays with Supervisor Cathy Hudgins

July 6 (Tuesday) - Patrick Henry Library

August 2 - Reston Regional Library

Supervisor Cathy Hudgins holds First Mondays each month

to hear from you. Every month, alternating between the Reston Regional Library and the Patrick Henry Library in Vienna, you are invited to come and share any concern you may have on any issue with Supervisor Hudgins. (**NOTE: July's session is on Tuesday as Monday, July 5 is a holiday for the County.**) First Monday hours have been changed due to library schedule changes: hours are from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Walk-ins are welcome, or if you prefer, you can schedule an appointment by calling the Hunter Mill District office at 703-478-0283.

It's Time to Immunize: New Requirements for 2010

Virginia legislation has changed some of the immunizations required for public school entrance for the upcoming 2010-2011 school year. To make sure you child is up-to-date with the new requirements, the Health Department has extended their clinic hours this summer.

Walk-in clinics are available at all clinic sites. For the fastest services and shortest wait, you can call for an appointment. Health Clinics in/near the Hunter Mill District are;

- Herndon/Reston: 1850 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston 703-481-4242
- Falls Church: 6245 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. 703-534-8343
- Fairfax: Joseph Willard Health Center, 3750 Old Lee Hwy., Fairfax 703-246-7100.

A certificate of immunization is required for children entering kindergarten, sixth grade and new students transferring to Fairfax County Public Schools. Information on the immunization requirements and clinics are available at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/immun/immunupdate.htm>

Health Department Clinic

Walk-in hours

(at all offices)

- Monday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 12 noon

Progress on Route 28 Metrorail Station Study

The Route 28 Metrorail Station - South Side Study Working-group met on Wednesday, June 16, 2010. Jennifer Bonnette of the Department of Planning and Zoning provided an update on developments impacting the study area. Commercial property owners in the Route 28 Study area were invited to present a plan or vision for their respective properties and/or ideas about how the Comprehensive Plan for the study area could be amended. Landowners from the following properties presented:

- Arrowbrook Centre - Jeffrey Fairfield
- Brandwine Realty Trust - Mike Cooper and Rae Noritake
- Pomeroy - David GillCrimson Partners - Kevin Dougherty and Ryan Whittier
- Rocks - Bob Lawrence

A question and answer period was provided after each presentation and open discussion between group members followed the presentations. The June 28th meeting was cancelled due to a power outage. The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, July 8, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.**, Lutie Coates Elementary School, 2480 River Birch Road, Herndon. Meeting summaries and schedules are posted on the Department of Planning and Zoning web page: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/route28/htm>.

Hunter Mill Melodies: Free Family Concerts

Come out and enjoy the music at the *Hunter Mill Melodies Summer Concert Series* at Frying Pan Farm Park. Join me and your neighbors each Thursday evening for a free public concert featuring a wide variety of musical acts from across the United States and from around the world. The concerts are held outdoors at Frying Pan Farm Park, beginning at 7:30 p.m. In addition, you will be able to take in some of the activities at Frying Pan Farm as the park will remain open until 9 p.m. on concert nights. Bring a blanket or a chair and a picnic dinner for a musical experience under the stars.

Children's Series Upcoming Dates:

July 7: Bill Wellington (songs)

July 14: Fairfax Symphony Orchestra's OTO Woodwind Quartet

July 21: Blue Sky Puppet Theater

July 28: DinoRock Productions (puppets)

August 4: The Great Zucchini (comedy/magic)

The popular **Wednesday Morning Children Series** will continue this summer with concerts beginning at 10 a.m. Enjoy a concert and take in the fresh produce and products at the Frying Pan Farmers Market each Wednesday morning.

Hunter Mill Melodies concert series is sponsored by the Fairfax

County Park Authority and the Hunter Mill Supervisor's office. The series is supported by volunteers and corporate donations. Concerts may move inside the Visitor's Center or be cancelled if it's raining. Call 703-324-SHOW (7469) one hour prior to show time for updates. Further information and complete season schedules are available at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

Upcoming Dates

July 8: Company Store (old time fiddling and country humor) Mixing together the all-natural ingredients of America's own music, then folding in some hearty laughter, they stock the Store with an assortment of vocal refrains, good fiddlin' and country humor.

July 15: Fairfax Symphony Orchestra's Dixieland Band. The ensemble is composed of FSO members who double as Dixieland enthusiasts. Their music is New Orleans inspired: your feet will be tapping!

July 22: Steep Canyon Rangers (bluegrass) With a sound firmly rooted in bluegrass tradition, they draw musical elements from Honky-tonk, classic Country, Bluegrass and Blues. While the Rangers are committed to a more traditional Bluegrass style, the band is determined to bring their music to the next generation of fans. They performed Rock clubs, Jam Band festivals and other non-traditional venues, winning new converts at every turn.

July 29: Alexandria Klezmet (klezmer) This Klezmet's unusual instrumentation and original approach has been delighting audiences in the area and beyond. With the release of their albums, the band shares its unique style of "alternative klezmer" with local listeners and audiences worldwide.

August 5: United States Navy Band "Cruisers" The Cruisers live up to their namesake by presenting a variety of music including classic rock, rhythm and blues, oldies from the '50s and '60s and Motown favorites, as well as today's top 40 hits. As the U.S. Navy's premier contemporary music ensemble, the Cruisers feature seven of the Navy's most dynamic performers.

FCPS Accepting Applications for New Facilities Planning Advisory Council

The Fairfax County Public School Board is establishing a Facilities Planning Advisory Council (FPAC) to advise the Board and FCPS staff in the development of comprehensive long-term plans for facilities needs in the most effective and efficient manner. Issues to be studied include, but are not limited to, school capacity, enrollment, program support, CIP prioritization, and transportation and operating efficiencies related to facilities planning. The Council will be a standing committee of the Board with 13 appointed members; one from each magisterial district, three at-large representatives, and one from the City of Fairfax. Terms will be for three years. At this time, the Board is accepting applications through **July 14, 2010** from interested citizens who would like to be considered. Further detailed information and the application can be found online at <http://www.fcps.edu/fts/planning/fpac/index.htm> ,

Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Draft Highway Noise Policy

In addition to building the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project, MWAA owns and operates the Dulles Corridor Toll Road in an agreement with the state in 2008. MWAA is currently drafting a highway noise policy and criteria that will enable them to determine placement/repair etc of sound walls along the Dulles Corridor. I attended MWAA's Public Information Meeting on June 10 at Langston Hughes Middle School and had a chance to speak with many of you who live in Sun Valley, Symphony Meadows, and Chatham's Ford, some of the Hunter Mill District communities that are adjacent to the Dulles Corridor.

Although the public comment period officially ended on June 30, MWAA's Draft Highway Noise Policy is available on their Website for reference at <http://www.mwaa.com/tollroad/2941.htm>. The Board of Supervisors endorsed comments to MWAA's draft policy at their regularly scheduled meeting on June 22nd that may be viewed on our Website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/huntermill/transportation.htm>.

As an independent authority, MWAA's Board of Directors, not the Board of Supervisors, will approve the new Highway Noise Policy. Our office will be following this issue closely. Thank you for all of the comments and letters we received on the issue.

CONNECTOR Bus Implements Fare Increase

Effective June 27, Fairfax Connector will implement a number of changes including fare increases. Changes include;



- ◆ Base bus fare increases from \$1.25 to \$1.50 if paying by SmartTrip card, and from \$1.35 to \$1.70 if paying with cash.
- ◆ Senior and disabled fare increase to 75 cents if paying by SmartTrip card, and 85 cents if paying by cash.
- ◆ Transportation Association of Greater Springfield (TAGS) fare increases to 50 cents.
- ◆ Fare for express routes 380D, 480 (Wolf Trap Express), 595 and 597 will not change.

- ◆ Bus-to-bus transfers using a SmartTrip card will be valid for up to 2 hours instead of 3 hours.

Included in Fairfax Connector's 2010 budget is an approximate reduction of 75 percent of the number of strategic or stand-by buses used to cover delays in service or heavy passenger loads. Riders may notice delays to scheduled service with the reduction in stand-by buses. Additional information regarding fares or Connector bus service is available at www.fairfaxconnector.com, or 703-339-7200.

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 was on June 24, 2010. Deferred decision to July 22, 2010.**

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, 64 single family attached units, 985 parking spaces @ Tax Map 17-2((18))1 and 17-2((19))2A. **The Planning Commission public hearing is currently scheduled for July 15, 2010, 8:15 p.m.**

Wiehle Avenue Metrorail Station Area: APPROVED

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 incorporate a 2,300+ space multi-deck parking garage for the Metro station @ 1860 Wiehle Ave. & 11465 Sunset Hills Rd. The Planning Commission recommended approval on April 29, 2010, and the Board of Supervisor's public hearing was held on Tuesday, May 25, 2010.

RAJ Development LLC - 1841 Explorer Street, Reston: APPROVED

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 recommended approval on April 22, 2010. Board of Supervisors public hearing approved at June 8, 2010 BOS meeting.

Fairfax County Park Authority - Stratton Woods Park - 2432 Fox Mill Road:

The Fairfax County Park Authority (PA) has submitted an amendment to the existing 2232 application based on the Stratton Woods Master Plan Amendment, adopted by the Park Authority Board on September 23, 2009. The proposed facilities to be added include the addition of lights to the 90' diamond field, tennis courts and parking area, relocating the sand volleyball court, adding a picnic shelter and adding a lighted racquet court complex. **The Planning Commission public hearing is currently scheduled for Thursday, July 15, 2010, 8:15 p.m.**

Reston Master Plan Special Study Task Force Update

Over the past month, the Task Force has had several briefings on key items relative to the future planning of Reston. At the May 25th meeting there was a briefing on Affordable Housing, presentations by various land owners and break-out discussions on the Wiehle Avenue station area.

At the next meeting on June 1st, the Task Force received a presentation on "The Economics of Sustainable Placemaking and How Market Forces are Shaping Reston's Future" by Shyam Kannan of the Robert Charles Lesser Company. Claudia Thomas-Deahl of Reston Association also shared information regarding the Sunrise Valley Wetlands. The task force then broke into small groups to strategize on the Herndon-Monroe station area.

The June 8th meeting provided an opportunity for community groups and citizens to make presentations and share comments. Fred Costello, Reston Master Plan Task Force member's presentation focused on balancing the residential and commercial development. Richard Stillson, Co-Chair of the Reston 2020 Work Group presented the Task Force with a work book consisting of outputs from the various Working Groups within the Reston 2020 /RCA Work Group.

On June 22nd, the Task Force met to hear initial findings regarding future market feasibility for the three Reston area Metro stations. The Task Force also engaged in a group exercise to better understand the recommendations of the current Comprehensive Plan for the station areas.

John McClain, AICP and Lisa Sturtevant, PhD of the George Mason University School of Public Policy Center for Regional Analysis gave a presentation of preliminary forecasts of the demand for additional jobs and housing units between 2010-2050 in the three station areas being studied. They plan to attend the Task Force meeting on July 27th to provide further analysis.

The Task Force then participated in a "Lego Exercise" where small groups of Task Force members were given Lego blocks that represented existing development and then additional blocks that represented possible future office, residential, retail and hotel development in the station areas. The purpose of the activity was to educate the Task Force about the existing development in the station areas and help them visualize how much additional mixed-use development is recommended in the current Comprehensive Plan.

For presentation handouts and meeting summaries go to: http://fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/reston/meetings_taskforce.htm.



Task Force Schedule

Weeknight 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:

7/27/2010

To be announced

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

Back to School Program: Starting Kids Off on Their Best Foot

Our Daily Bread's Back to School program needs your help this year to assist families with the cost of required school supplies. On average, it costs \$40 per child to purchase all the supplies that school require. In 2009, 350 children were assisted. To help these families, programs include;

- ◆ "Adopt" a child: You may "adopt" a child or family of children to provide school supplies for the upcoming academic year. You will get the name of a child, school supply list and contact information so that you can deliver the items. Feel free to include a new backpack, jacket or pair of shoes.
- ◆ Virtual Adopt a Child: Donate funds (recommended \$40 per child) and indicate the number of children you would like to help and a child or children will be selected and send gift cards to purchase their supplies.
- ◆ Donate: Any designated monetary donation you give will be used to purchase gift cards so children who are not "adopted" will get to purchase their supplies.

You may also "adopt" a family for Thanksgiving and December holidays. If you are interested in helping the same family for school supplies and the holidays, Our Daily Bread will try to make this happen. Online registration form is at www.our-daily-bread.org, or call 703-273-8829.



Korean Bell Garden Groundbreaking

A groundbreaking ceremony was held on Sunday, June 27 for a Korean Bell Garden at [Meadowlark Botanical Gardens](#) in Vienna. June marked the 60th anniversary of the beginning of the Korean War.



In addition to a traditional Korean pavilion with a large hand-crafted cast-iron bell weighing more than 10 tons, the garden will include a trail, terraced stones and two ponds with a connecting water channel. Joining me for the ceremony was State Senator Chap Petersen, Korean American Cultural Committee Matthew Lee, Minister Counselor of the Embassy of the Republic of Korea Jim Soon Nam, NVRPA Board Chairman Su Webb, and NVRPA Director Paul Gilbert.

Reminder:

Fairfax County Property taxes are due October 5.



Avoid the rush and pay early!

Ways to pay:

- ◆ On line
- ◆ In person
- ◆ Cash at Shoppers
- ◆ At banks
- ◆ Electronic check
- ◆ Credit card
- ◆ Mail

For additional information,

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dta>
703-222-8234

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Erin Mink: Supervisor's schedule, community room use

Goldie Harrison: Land use, planning & zoning, stormwater, recycling

Martin Taylor: human services, housing, budget & taxes, utilities, elections

Merrily Pierce: transportation, public safety, sidewalks & trails

Casey Hanes: Schools, parks, recreation, animals, libraries, newsletter, webpage

Coupons for Native Trees Available

Fairfax County Restoration Project (FCRP), a new public-private partnership between local government agencies, non-profits, businesses and individual community members, is already blossoming. In order to encourage responsible tree planting, FCRP has teamed with Craven Nurseries in Fairfax to create a coupon for 50% off the purchase of one native tree and \$20 off each additional tree. The tree species available for the rebate include Eastern Redbud, American Beech, River Birch, American Holly, Sweetgum, Black Gum, a number of oaks, magnolias, maples and many more.



The trees were selected with the environment in mind; all are native to the area and all provide food and habitat for wildlife. Planting with natives is preferable to planting with non-native ornamentals for many reasons; many non-natives turn out to be invasive and can overtake the landscape; and non-natives that are not accustomed to the local climate will need more fertilizer and care than native species. Coupons and a list of the trees available can be found on the FCRP website at www.fcrpp3.org.

Celebrate a Tree in Fairfax County

Help celebrate our County's trees by nominating your favorite or historic trees. Eligible trees will receive an honorary designation as a Celebrated Tree of Fairfax County. They also will be included in a database on the county's website. [Celebrated Trees website](#) contains information and applications.

Your Input Needed: Deer Management Survey

White-tailed deer are one of our most common and graceful species. A loss of natural predators and increased habitat modifications have resulted in an abundant deer population. Your input is needed to help develop a deer management program that best suits Fairfax County. The on-line survey is available at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/survey/deermanagement.htm>.



Gearing up for Tick Season

Fairfax County has submitted a proposal to the state for a pilot study of deer 4-poster treatment stations for wildlife host-targeted tick control on white tailed deer. The 4-Poster deer treatment station works by using corn bait to attract deer to a station. A 4-Poster has four rollers and two feed troughs. Each trough is placed between rollers that have been sprayed with insecticide that targets ticks. The deer must brush against the rollers in order to reach the bait. The deer further distributes the insecticide over its body while self-grooming. The 4-Poster was developed by the United States Department of Agriculture and approved by the Environmental Protection Agency in 2004. Stations are currently used in several states by local county governments, park systems, private golf courses and homeowners.

In addition, the County's Disease Carrying Insects Program (DCIP) has enhanced its tick surveillance sites and collections to improve the Health Department's monitoring for Lyme disease and other tick-borne pathogens. They also offer identification services to residents to determine the species of tick as only black legged tick (deer ticks) carry the pathogens for Lyme disease. Additional information on the DCIP efforts is at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/westnile/>



I joined the 2 and 4-legged dignitaries at the ribbon cutting of the new first-class equestrian stables at Frying Pan Farm Park. Funded through the 2004 Park Bond program, the improvements include a 90-stall horse stable, a 60-stall horse stable, manure shed, gravel parking area for horse trailers, a warm-up riding ring and the demolition of four existing stables.

From Fairfax County Park Authority:

Staycation Possibilities -

Backpack Hikes Provide Tools to Explore the Outdoors

There are plenty of amazing memories to be made close to home by making Fairfax County parks a staycation destination this summer. One great way for families to spend time together outdoors is to take a backpack hike. Five Fairfax County Park Authority sites rent or loan backpacks stocked with magnifying glasses, compasses, maps, plant and animal identification materials, and other activities to enrich park visitors' experiences. Backpack hikes provide intimate and enjoyable learning experiences for parents to share with their children, as well as a relaxing way to explore the outdoors.



Close or in Hunter Mill district are;

- ◆ **Frying Pan Farm Park** in Herndon provides free backpacks that help hikers identify animal tracks, use their sense of smell to discover a spice bush, and use their sense of touch to recognize surrounding trees.
- ◆ **Riverbend Park's** Duff and Stuff bags contain a squirrel puppet and its story. As families explore the park, parents can pull out activity bags that correspond with events in the squirrel's story. Riverbend also offers free scavenger hunt sheets for young children.

Additional opportunities are at;

- ◆ **Hidden Pond Nature Center** in Springfield provides Explorer Backpacks.
- ◆ **Hidden Oaks Nature Center** in Annandale rents Discovery Bags for \$1.
- ◆ **Green Spring Gardens** in Alexandria provides free themed backpacks to help identify flowers and bugs.

Maps for these self-guided tours can often be found in racks outside the nature or visitor centers. Packs are only available when the park offices are open. For more staycation ideas, visit the Fairfax County Park Authority online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/staycation,

Congratulations

South Lakes Boys Track Team accomplished an almost unheard of feat by capturing their third consecutive Northern Region outdoor track championship. Senior Adrian Vaughn and junior Sean Price continued their great performances in multiple events. The 4x400 relay team of Muhammad Yasin, Armando Drain, Alvin Moore and Adrian Vaughn clenched the championship with another first place finish. Congrats to **Adrian Vaughn**, selected as Washington Post's Boys Track Athlete of the Year.

Madison High School Crew Team brought home trophies from the Virginia Scholastic rowing Championships - a silver in the men's lightweight 8 and gold in the women's lightweight 4. In addition, the Women's Junior 8 won a second-place silver at the Nationals in Saratoga Springs, New York. The young team had a very successful year.

Vegetation Management on Dominion Power's Transmission And Distribution Power Line Systems

Vegetation management is one of the most important actions taken by Dominion Virginia Power to keep your lights on. Vegetation management helps ensure your safety and proactively improves service reliability by maintaining safe distances between vegetation and power lines, and removing dead, diseased, or leaning trees that could fall on power lines. Vegetation near power lines has the potential to conduct electricity and contact with vegetation that is touching power lines could cause injury or death. Dominion performs vegetation management on our system of transmission and distribution power lines year-round. Our vegetation management program is carefully planned to be both efficient and environmentally responsible and is in compliance with the industry and governmental guidelines and standards.

For more information regarding tree trimming and vegetation management and guidelines for planting near power lines, please visit the Dominion website at www.dom.com, keyword "trees," or click on the following link: <http://www.dom.com/dominion-virginia-power/customer-service/your-service/tree-trimming.jsp>

Invest in Bright Futures

Fairfax County Park Foundation's **Bright Futures** provides summer camp scholarships to elementary school children who are eligible for free and reduced-prices school lunches. The children are enrolled with other kids in the park Authority's Rec-PAC summer camps - a six-week, seven hours per-day structured recreation program. Last year, these camps were held at 52 elementary schools throughout the county. Camp activities include fitness and nutrition, indoor and outdoor games, sports, nature, crafts, talent shows and community service projects.



The Park Authority subsidizes camp fees for low income children, but private donations are needed to provide scholarships for the neediest kids. You can give a child a week of positive, supervised activity for \$50, or a full six-week summer of fun for only \$300.

Last summer's program exceeded expectations and also exceeded the scholarship budget. Last year;

- ◆ The scholarship program served 1,189 Rec-PAC campers, a 12% increase from the previous summer.
- ◆ 209 older, mostly former campers, volunteered as "counselors in training" and provided staff support.
- ◆ Each 6 week program participant engaged in over 140 hours of rigorous physical activity.
- ◆ "Rec-PAC Gives Back" campers participated in a season-ending finale of community service.

Visit the [Fairfax Park Foundation website](#) to make a contribution or for additional information.

Events & Notices

Deadline extended to end of August: Champions of Character Awards

Nominations are being accepted for [Fairfax County's Champions of Character Awards](#), which recognizes outstanding youth and adult athletes participating in any county sports league, including interscholastic sports, who have demonstrated extraordinary service in the sports community while modeling the basic traits of good character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. The awards program is administered by the Fairfax County Athletic Council (FCAC) and supported by the Department of Community and Recreation Services' Athletic Services Division. Call 703-324-5533 for info.

Reston Festival: Reston Town Center

Two days of family fun, three stages of entertainment, vendors, arts and crafts and food booths. What could be more fun! Festival begins Saturday at noon to 8 p.m., and continues Sunday at noon to 7 p.m. See the [Reston Festival homepage](#) for complete listing of events.

Saturday, July 10 -
Sunday, July 11

Electric Sunday: 10 AM to 3 PM at the I-95 Landfill Complex 9850 Furnace Road, Lorton

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 thanks to our partnership with Covanta Energy, Inc.

Sunday, July 25

Fairfax County Commission for Women:

The Commission is seeking a college student to serve a two-year term as a non-voting representative, from September 2010 - May 2012. The student will serve as a non-voting member, aiding the Commission in gaining perspective on issues facing young women and serving as a conduit of information to peer groups and student organizations. Applications are being accepted now – must be postmarked no later than **July 31, 2010**. Contact the Commission at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/cfw/>, 703-324-5730.

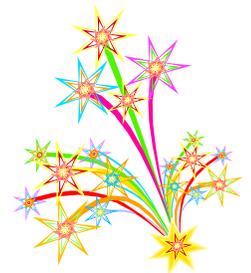
Saturday, July 31

July 4th Celebrations



Lake Fairfax Park: The [Water Mine Family Swimmin' Hole](#) will be open at 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. and at noon, 2 and 4 p.m. you can sponsor a duck and participate in the Park Foundation's Toy Duck Races celebrating the Park Authority's 60th anniversary. Vendors will offer a variety of food for purchase throughout the celebration, and children will find a moonbounce and other amusements. Fireworks begin at approximately **9:15 p.m.** Celebrants are encouraged to come early as parking is limited.

Town of Vienna: Vienna's homegrown 4th of July celebration begins at the Vienna Community Center at noon on Sunday with performances, vendors, amusements, family races and more. Firework displays are at Southside Park, beginning around 9:15 p.m. See the Town's website for information and directions for viewing the fireworks http://www.viennava.gov/Town_Departments/july4infomap.pdf



Town of Herndon: Join the Town of Herndon for a family-fun event featuring games, small rides, races, crafts, performances, bingo and more at Bready Park, around the Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave. Festivities begin at 6:30 p.m. Fireworks show choreographed to music starts at 9:30 p.m. Parking available at Herndon Middle School.