



# Hunter Mill Highlights

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Dear Hunter Mill Friends,

I look forward to springtime each year as a time of renewal and growth. After a long winter with blanketing of nearly 3 feet of snow, the warmth of the sun is welcome indeed. Our County has also come through a long winter of budget negotiations resulting in leaner government. We have had to prune and even transplant our County departments and programs, remembering to leave a good root system and, hopefully, the results are better overall. Your participation and input in the budget process and meetings has been invaluable in helping me make these hard decisions.

Spring is also fun! Whether you are just a kid or a senior citizen, there are wonderful, free events in our communities. This issue contains details on summer camp offerings and farmers' markets schedules that feature fresh produce and goodies. VivaVienna! takes over historic Vienna on Memorial Day weekend followed by the Herndon Festival beginning June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Both community festivals feature carnival rides, entertainment, vendors and all those wonderful foods that I shouldn't eat but love anyway. (Funnel cake – yum!) In addition, Hunter Mill Melodies, a free, family concert series, begins the first Thursday in June and continues through the summer. Bring your blanket and enjoy the music under the stars at Frying Pan Farm Park.

Together, we continue to work through the issues and challenges facing the Hunter Mill District, such as the coming of Metro to Reston and Herndon, growth of Tysons Corner, municipal water systems, I-66 plans for expansion, and changes to our public schools. Everywhere I go, I hear feedback from thoughtful, compassionate, and dedicated members of the community who seek solutions for our many challenges. We may not always agree on how to get there, but we can always agree that we want the best for our community. I look forward to your continued participation and creative input.



**Bike to Work Day:** I wasn't able to ride this year, but enjoyed presenting the Employer Challenge Award to David Fournelle of National Wildlife Federation. Joining me are Del. Ken Plum and RA President Kathleen McKee.

*Cathy Hudgins*

## Latest Hunter Mill Announcements

### Come Down to the Farm and Enjoy the Music Under the Stars: Hunter Mill Melodies Concert Series

I am pleased to announce the inaugural season of **Hunter Mill Melodies Summer Concert Series** at Frying Pan Farm Park. Beginning on June 3rd, 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 variety and quality of the acts is a reflection of Fairfax County's diversity and community spirit. The concerts are held outdoors at Frying Pan Farm Park, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Bring a blanket or a chair for a musical experience under the stars.

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. Each week will feature farming activities and demonstrations, wagon rides, along with produce and products from the farm for sale. The Country Store will also be open until 9 p.m. Bring a picnic dinner or take advantage of the Farm's food offerings hot from the grill.

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. (See page 8 for Farmers Market information.)

#### Children's Series June Dates:

**June 9:** Fairfax Symphony Orchestra's OTO Brass Quintet

**June 16:** GoodLife Theater (puppets)

**June 23:** Fairfax Symphony Orchestra OTO Percussion Duo

#### Hunter Mill Melodies June Dates

**June 3: Daryl Davis** (swing) Daryl Davis has roots deep in American Music. His repertoire embraces a little something for everyone from the roots of American music: blues, rockabilly, rock'n'roll, boogie woogie, zydeco and country.

**June 10: Luke Brindley** (roots/rock) With his new self-titled solo record, New Jersey raised DC-based Luke Brindley affirms his relevance among leading young singer/songwriters. His music draws from another time - it is reminiscent of artists some decade ago who focused on the timeless art of songwriting.

**June 17: MAHALA's township jive** (township jive) It's not often you see people dancing and "kicking dust", but listening to the South African township music of Mahala will leave you jiving and doing just that.

**June 24: Sir Alan and the Calypso Ponzi Schemers** (calypso) A classic calypso trio that plays favorites from the two great hubs of calypso music - the Caribbean and New York City.

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 showtime for updates. Further information and complete season schedules are available at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances).



### First Mondays with Supervisor Cathy Hudgins

June 14 \* - 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: June's session will be held on the 2nd Monday, June 14. First Monday sessions are from 11:00 AM to 1:00 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.**

## 2010 Viva! Vienna!



Come enjoy the food, fun and entertainment at this year's **Viva! Vienna!**, Vienna's Memorial Day weekend town festival. The historic Church Street will be filled with vendors, tasty morsels, entertainment, and rides and amusements. Two stages on the Town's Green, including a children's stage, will feature a variety of entertainment choices. There is no admission charge for the festival.

Free shuttle bus service from James Madison High School and Vienna Metro Station will be available on Saturday and Sunday until 10 p.m., and Monday until 6 p.m.

The festival is designed to bring the citizens of Vienna and surrounding communities together to highlight the impressive spirit of Northern Virginia and to remember the American heroes who have fought for our nation, some making the ultimate sacrifice. Proceeds generated from Viva! Vienna! are used to support local civic initiatives and contribute to local and international humanitarian activities. In 2010 The Rotary Club of Vienna will be able to donate \$124,000 to these causes. In the past three years, over \$300,000 was donated from proceeds generated by Viva! Vienna!

### **Schedule:**

Saturday May 29

Food, entertainment & rides only  
(10 a.m. - 10 p.m.)

Sunday, May 30

Vendors (10-6)

Food and rides (10 a.m.-10 p.m.)

Entertainment (12:30-10 p.m.)

Monday, May 31

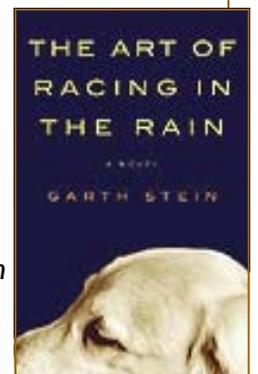
Vendors, food, entertainment &  
Rides (10 a.m.-6 p.m.)

In addition, as a community service to *Viva! Vienna!* celebrants, Navy Federal Credit Union will be providing free recycling services for computers and peripherals at James Madison High School on Sunday and Monday, 12 noon to 6 p.m. Accepted materials include desktop and laptop computers, keyboards, mice, monitors, modems, hard drives, floppy drives, hones, fax machines and telecommunications hardware, printers, wires and cables. Televisions are NOT accepted at this event.

For additional information, visit the [Viva! Vienna! webpage](#).

## All Fairfax Reads: *The Art of Racing in the Rain*

The Fairfax County Public Library invites adults who live, work or go to school in Fairfax County to participate in the seventh annual All Fairfax Reads, a community engagement project that encourages adults to read and discuss the same book between May and September. This year's All Fairfax Reads selection is *The Art of Racing in the Rain*, a novel by Garth Stein. Stein's previous fiction is *How Evan Broke His Head and Other Secrets* and *Raven Stole the Moon*.



In the book, a dog narrates the life of his family through good days and sad, the things that make sense to him and the things about humans that don't, and he tries to find guidance and understanding through the rules of racing. The dog's great hope is to come back after his death as a human.

In 2004, the Fairfax County Public Library launched All Fairfax Reads, one of 100 one community/one book projects in the United States at the time. The library's Web site has an online reader's guide (print guides available in branches) and will post programs as they are planned for September. All Fairfax Reads is co-sponsored by the Fairfax Library Foundation, Friends of the Reston Regional Library, NOVEC, Fall for the Book, George Mason University, Fairfax County Senior Centers and Greenspring Village. Visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library) for more information.



## Hunter's Woods Citizens Police Academy

Fairfax County Police Department is hosting a five week Community Police Academy for individuals who live or work in the Hunter's Woods area of Fairfax County. The Citizen Police Academy is designed to provide members of the public with a unique "glimpse behind the badge." Participants will learn about the department as well as other Fairfax County resources available to the community.

Classes will be held on five consecutive Wednesday evenings, 6:30 to 9:00p.m. Participants are encouraged to attend all five classes. Child care for children five years of age and older will be provided. For an application or more information, call 703-280-713, or email at [CPA@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:CPA@fairfaxcounty.gov)

## May Designated as *Parents Who Host Lose the Most* Month in Fairfax County

May has been proclaimed Parents Who Host Lose the Most Month by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and the Fairfax County School Board in support of a countywide initiative that aims to reduce underage drinking as prom and graduation season approaches.



The Parents Who Host Lose the Most: Don't Be a Party to Underage Drinking public awareness campaign informs parents and other adults about the legal ramifications and health and safety risks of serving alcohol to teens. More than 300,000 fact cards with the Virginia law on one side and tips for parents on the other are distributed throughout the county. Banners are displayed in all high school stadiums, and posters are in the schools and community.

One in four high school seniors reported binge drinking during a two-week period and almost two in four reported they had consumed alcohol in the past 30 days, according to results from the 2008 Fairfax County youth survey. The survey also revealed that young people admit they drink alcohol to get drunk.

## Sheriff's Office Announces New Volunteer Program

The Fairfax County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce a new volunteer program called VISOR – Volunteers in Sheriff's Office Relations. VISOR gives residents an opportunity to serve in an unpaid, non-uniformed position to augment Sheriff's Office personnel. This is an exciting opportunity to become part of an outstanding public service organization that works in partnership with the community to enhance the quality of life for all Fairfax County residents.

To become a member of the VISOR program, applicants must:

- Be at least 21 years of age
- Possess a valid Virginia operator's license
- Be in good physical condition
- Successfully pass a thorough background investigation.



To apply or get addition information about the VISOR program, contact 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Charise Thompson at [shf-reservedeputy@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:shf-reservedeputy@fairfaxcounty.gov) or call 703-246-3246.

### 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 June 24, 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, 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 17, 2010, 8:15 p.m.**

#### **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 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 is scheduled for Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.**

#### **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.**

#### **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 recommended approval on April 22, 2010. Board of Supervisors public hearing is scheduled for June 8, 2010 at 3:30 p.m.**

#### **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 25, 2010.**

## 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

Richard Kennedy  
At-large

Mark Looney  
Greater Reston Chamber of  
Commerce

Arthur Murphy  
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Patricia Nicolson  
Dulles Corridor Rail Association

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Greg Riegle  
Western Alliance for Rail to Dulles

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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

# Reston Master Plan Special Study Task Force

## Task Force Update

On Saturday, April 27, 2010, the Reston Master Plan Special Study Task Force hosted a community workshop to discuss the process planning for the Reston Parkway Station. This was the third of four meetings planned for community outreach.

Heidi Merkel, Fairfax County Department of Planning and Zoning explained that the meeting objective was to generate ideas and refine the vision for the Reston Parkway area. Ms. Merkel emphasized that the planning for Reston is not from scratch, but builds on existing language in the Comprehensive Plan, encourages mixed use development and land use to support rail, and focuses on Transit Oriented Development. The presentation can be found at [http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/reston/meeting\\_april17\\_2010.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/reston/meeting_april17_2010.htm)

The community members were divided into groups for a brainstorming activity regarding future station area character, with each group reporting the results of the activity. Compilation of community feedback from small group discussions are available at the above website. Information collected by the planning staff will be discussed as proposed changes to the County's Comprehensive Plan at future meetings.

A community meeting regarding the North Reston Town Center Area took place on Saturday, May 22. The next meeting, **May 25**, will have a briefing on affordable housing and small group exercises on Wiehle Avenue. The June 1 meeting features a presentation on market forces shaping smart growth.



## 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;

**5/25/2010**

**6/1/2010**

**6/8/2010**

**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](mailto:hntmill@fairfaxcounty.gov)**



## Universal Design Workshop

On May 5, 2010, Supervisor Hudgins and Providence Supervisor Linda Smyth co-hosted a workshop on Universal Design. The event was held at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Oakton. Recent demographic studies in Fairfax County have referenced the trend that our population is “aging in place”. Universal Design is a concept that can assist with making aging in place easier through design modifications.

The key-note speaker for the event was Mr. Jim Mueller, President of Lutheran Housing Services. Mr. Mueller highlighted the seven principles of Universal Designs. As well as emphasizing the fact the Universal Design is not just for the aging, but also for folks with disabilities and other challenges.

The attendees then participated in break-out sessions: Vince Butler of Butler Bros., a Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist addressed remodeling issues; Wil Slaughter, Fairfax County Consumer Affairs highlighted selecting vendors and things to be aware of when making a selection; Sally Hume, AARP and John Pay, Housing & Community Development addressed reverse mortgages and finding financing & local tax credits, respectively; and Tina Gum, Donna Pesto and Tammy Miller from Fairfax County addressed the County Ordinance, Zoning restrictions and the permitting process. The event was very informative and provided attendees an insight on how to live longer in the homes they have grown to love.

## Route 28 Metrorail Station – South Side Study

Supervisor Hudgins and the Department of Planning and Zoning recently hosted the kick-off meeting for the Route 28 Metrorail Station–South Side Study. The study, which was authorized by the Board back in 2009, will update the existing Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan recommendations to ensure support for the County’s Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Policy and that the recommendations support the implementation of rail in preparation for the planned metrorail extension along the Dulles Toll Road.

The study focuses on the land area generally bounded by the Dulles Toll Road to the north and Frying Pan Road to the south, and Sully Road (Route 28) to the west and Centreville Road to the east. The commercial area located to the east of Centreville Road and south of Sunrise Valley Drive also is part of the study area. The study is restricted to only the south side of the future station.

The scope of the study will allow staff to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the existing Comprehensive Plan recommendations in the vicinity of the Route 28/CIT transit station area. This study is part of planning activities that are also underway along the Reston-Dulles Corridor for the three Reston area stations as part of the Reston Master Plan Special Study, and the north side of the Route 28/CIT station. A sub-group has been formed to assist staff with this effort. You can find additional information about the Route 28 Station–South Study at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/route28.htm> .

If you have any questions or comments regarding the Route 28 Station – South Study, please contact either Goldie Harrison at 703-478-0283, or Jennifer Bonnette at 703-324-1380.



## Transportation

### **VDOT Mowing Season Begins**

Virginia Department of Transportation has developed mowing priorities and schedules for all state-maintained roads, beginning late April and continuing through October. This year's roadside maintenance schedule remains similar to the 2009 schedule, when mowing cycles on most routes were reduced, extending the length of time between repeated mowing in areas where sight distance and motorist safety were not issues. VDOT's mowing standards provide guidance for state and contractor crews;

- Roadsides along interstates, high-volume primary and secondary routes are scheduled to be mowed no more than three times this year, between late April and late October. Crews will mow up to 18 feet from the pavement's edge or to the center of the adjacent ditch.
- Roadsides along low-volume primary and most secondary routes will be mowed no more than twice this year (April-October), and up to nine feet from the pavement edge.
- Roadsides along unpaved routes and low-volume subdivision streets will be mowed once this year unless safety issues require more frequent attention.
- Crews will continue to address areas along all road as need where vegetation may limit the sight distance of drivers, cyclist or pedestrians. Citizens are encouraged to report any roadside sight issues by contacting VDOT at [www.virginiadot.org](http://www.virginiadot.org) or by calling 800-367-7623.

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### **Snow - Gone But Not Forgotten**

The Board of Supervisors' Transportation Committee sponsored a Snow Summit on April 16. Our office along with Sen. Chap Petersen, Del. Mark Keam, and Town of Vienna Mayor M. Jane Seeman, held a Snow Summit for north Vienna neighborhoods at The Barns of Wolftrap on April 14. The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments also held a Snow Summit in April. VDOT is digesting comments from their own experience. Reports will be forthcoming. If you contacted our office or VDOT during the storms, your comments will most likely be collated with other similar concerns. Expect community meetings in the fall in anticipation of the 2010-2011 winter season

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### **HOT Lanes Bridges Under Construction**

Having another option to the congestion on the Capital Beltway is what the HOT Lanes are all about, but there is another bonus that will provide relief to the residents along the beltway as well, and that is coming in the form of the brand new overpasses at all the beltway crossings. In all, there are approximately 58 bridges and overpasses which totals to more than \$250 million of aging infrastructure that is being replaced. Each overpass



from the Springfield Interchange to the Dulles Toll Road is being rebuilt in a longer configuration to cross the additional lanes, and the new overpasses will be bigger and better than the current structures.

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### **New Parking Regulations and Fines**

Our office has worked with the Reston Association and HOA boards to find solutions to some of the concerns about parking of commercial and other vehicles in residential areas. The implementation of the Reston Large Area Community Parking District (CPD) last year and the recent amendment just approved by the Board to include Fox Mill Estates and communities along Monroe Street/West Ox Road, well as CPD's in Mount Vernon, Lee, and Springfield Districts, have helped with enforcement. The county code also has been revised with respect to commercial vehicles and new fines are being implemented for Residential Permit Parking Districts (RPPD's) and CPD's. Complaints are down. See <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/parkingcodechanges.htm>

## Parks



### Lake Fairfax Park Lakefront Picnic Pavilions Open

The newly completed picnic shelters along the shore of Lake Fairfax Park were official opened on May 15. The project was funded by the 2008 Park Bond and provides two large picnic shelters complete with large grills and catering station and two smaller shelters. Helping me cut the ribbon are Park Authority Director John Dargle, Planning & Development Director Dave Bowden, PA Board member George Lovelace, Project Manager Heather Lynch, PA Board chair Bill Bouie, and PA staff members.

### Stratton Woods Park Master Plan Amendments Update

The Hunter Mill Land Use Committee heard from staff and residents about the Park Authority's recommendations to the park's master plan including lights on the baseball field and tennis courts, parking lot lights, new picnic shelter and new court complex. The HMLUC will render their recommendation at the June meeting, Tuesday, June 15. The Planning Commission is scheduled to review the plans on July 15.

### Farmers Markets Open for Business

The first week of May marks the opening of the Fairfax County Park Authority's Farmers Markets. Twelve markets throughout the County feature products from vendors located within a 125-mile radius of the county. These open-air markets offer a broad array of products including fresh from the hive honey, pasture-raised meat and garden fresh vegetables and flowers.

Each market has a market master to help shoppers make the most of their visits and some markets will feature the expertise of Master Gardeners willing to answer questions about your garden. Fairfax County Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners offer Plant Clinics at most markets. Citizens can bring plant or insect samples for pest identification or disease diagnosis. Master Gardeners also help citizens by having informational displays on topics such as Container Gardening or EcoSavvy Gardening.



#### Farmers' Markets In/near Hunter Mill District:

##### WEDNESDAYS

**Vienna/Oakton:** 8 a.m. to noon  
Oak Marr RECenter, 3200 Jermantown Rd

**Frying Pan Farm Park:** 8 to 12:30  
2709 West Ox Road  
front of Frying Pan Country Store

##### THURSDAYS

**Herndon:** 8 a.m. to noon  
Old Town, 777 Lynn Street

##### SATURDAYS

**Reston:** 8 a.m. to noon  
Lake Anne Village Center off North Shore

**Vienna:** 8 a.m. to noon  
Operated by Optimist Club of Vienna  
Caboose parking lot on Church Street

## Binge Drinking: Are Your Teens at Risk? Police Co-host Communitywide Forum

Out of control, underage binge drinking is every parent's nightmare as their student prepares for life beyond high school, in college and elsewhere. Fairfax County Police Department want to help parents and teens better understand these dangerous, illegal and life-threatening issues. In collaboration with the Countywide Initiative to Reduce Underage Drinking and Northern Virginia Community College, a free film screening of the documentary HAZE, and panel discussion featuring local experts will take place on **Wednesday, May 26, 7 p.m.**, at Northern Virginia Community College in Annandale.

HAZE is a feature documentary that addresses the national crisis of alcohol abuse, binge drinking and hazing taking place on many college campuses. The film is graphic in its description of college life and the effects of alcohol, but is a must-see for those who are concerned about these important issues. Screening will take place at Northern Virginia Community College, Richard J. Ernst Community Cultural Center, 8333 Little River Turnpike in Annandale. Free parking is available on surface level lot B. Contact [Lucy Caldwell](#), Fairfax County Police Department for further information - 703-246-3271.

## Rising Stars Transition Program Brings 6th Graders to George Mason University

The 2nd annual Rising Stars Transition Program filled the halls of the Johnson Student Center at George Mason University with Reston 6th graders on May 12, 2010. Over 600 6th graders came to GMU for a day of workshops and speakers with the goal to aid the transition to middle school and to help students set their sights on a college education. My office joined with Rising Stars founder, Alene Smith, to plan and organize the day's activities along with Fairfax County Public School principals and administrators, and wonderful support from multiple departments at George Mason University .

Last year the Rising Stars inaugurated with the 6th graders from Dogwood Elementary. This year, each of the Cluster 8 elementary schools were invited to participate - 6 schools in all, with 634 students. The committee will continue to enhance the program and develop tools for evaluating the program's effectiveness.

*2010 Rising Stars Schools:*  
 Dogwood ES  
 Forest Edge ES  
 Hunters Woods ES  
 Lake Anne ES  
 Sunrise Valley ES  
 Terraset ES



## Reston Youth Club Summer Basketball Tryouts

It's not too late to join up for this summer's basketball leagues. You can register at one of the Tryout Sites below or on the website at <http://www.restonyouthclub.org> - deadline is June 1st. Season runs from June 28 through August 7. Age groups are for boys and girls unless stipulated.

### Saturday, June 5 at Dogwood Elementary

8:30-9:30 am under 9 yrs. Old & under 11  
 9:30-10:30 13U Boys & and 13U Girls  
 10:30-11:30 15U & 18U Boys  
 11:30-12:30 open to all age groups

### Wednesday, May 26 at Forest Edge Elementary

5:30-6:30 pm 9U and 11U  
 6:30-7:30 13U Boys and 13U Girls  
 7:30-8:30 15U & 18U Boys

## Notices

### CONGRATULATIONS

**Jim Larson**, chairman of Committee for Helping Others (CHO) was honored as the Hunter Mill Community Champion at the recent Volunteer Fairfax community awards ceremony. Jim has served as Chairman of CHO and oversees their efforts to help families in need in the Vienna-Dunn Loring-Oakton area.



Photo by Louise Krafft/  
Connection Newspapers

**Allison Rogers**, senior at Madison High School, is one of 26 Fairfax County Public School student winners of the National Merit Scholarship. Allison is among 2,500 students selected nationwide.

**August Frattali**, principal at Carson Middle School, has been named this year's Fairfax County Public School 2010 Principal of the Year and is the recipient of the Washington Post Distinguished Educational Leadership Award.

Fifth grader teacher, **Lisa Conselatore**, from Forest Edge Elementary School in Reston, has been selected as a National Teacher Argonaut and will participate in a two-year internship with the JASON project. JASON is a nonprofit subsidiary of the National Geographic Society which connects students with explorers and events to inspire and motivate them to pursue science and related careers.

### Your Library Happenings:

Register for talks [online](#) or call 703-938-0405.

#### **Saturday, June 5: Used Book Sale**

Friends of Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library , 7584 Leesburg Pike, in Falls Church. 703-790-8088.

#### **Tuesday, June 8, 6 p.m: Author Pete Earley**

Pete is a former Washington Post reporter and author of books such as *Family of Spies* and *Confessions of a Spy*. Patrick Henry Library in Vienna.

#### **Wednesday, June 16, 6 p.m: Author Richard Gazala**

Richard discusses his novel, *Blood of the Moon*, an international political thriller. Patrick Henry Library.

### Park Authority Summer Camps

Fairfax County Park Authority offers a variety of fun summer camp experiences for kids from 3 years old through teens. Full and half day program are available with extended care at some locations. Register by May 28 and save \$8.

Full listing of summer camps available on line at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/>

#### **For 3-6 yr olds**

(half day options may be 9am-noon or 1-4pm):

- The Great Outdoors** – nature based camp at Lake Fairfax Park
- All About Animals** – farm based camp at Frying Pan Farm Park

#### **For school-agers and young teens**

(full day options are mainly 9am-4pm):

- Player Development Soccer**– Lake Fairfax Park
- Chess Camp** - Frying Pan Park
- Junior Lifeguard Camp** – Lake Fairfax Park
- Summer Hoops Basketball Camp**- Fox Mill ES
- Doggone Fun Camp**- Frying Pan Park & Lake Fairfax
- Geocaching Camp**- high tech treasure hunt, Frying Pan Park & Lake Fairfax Park
- History Adventures** – Frying Pan Park
- Eco-Trekker**- wildlife and ecosystems Frying Pan Park
- Nature's Adventures** – Lake Fairfax Park
- Skateboard and Rollerblade Camps** – Lake Fairfax
- Watershed Explorers**- environmental awareness at Frying Pan Park
- Art Explorers**- Frying Pan Park
- Adventures on the Farm** – Frying Pan Park
- Farm Hand Camp** – Frying Pan Park
- Junior Reporters**- Frying Pan Park
- Summer Sewing Camp** – Frying Pan Park

## Events & Notices

Tuesday, May 25 -  
Monday, May 31

### Hurricane Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday

The Commonwealth of Virginia's sales tax holiday gives you the opportunity to save while you stock up on items you can use to protect your home or business in case of a hurricane or flooding. The list of eligible items and additional information is on the Fairfax County website.

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/emergency/prepare/emergency-prep-sales-tax-holiday.htm>

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

Sunday, May 23

#### 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 thanks to our partnership with Covanta Energy, Inc.

### Free Seminar on Communication with Teens

Wednesday, May 26

#### Vienna Community Center

"Conflict and Communication for Parents and Teens" is a free seminar offered by the Northern Virginia Mediation Service on **Wednesday, May 26**, from 6-9 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., S.E. The seminar is for both parents and teens. Learn how to resolve everyday conflicts and practice important communication exercises. A light dinner will be served. To register and for more information, contact Sally Moreland at 703-993-3656 or [training@nvms.us](mailto:training@nvms.us).

### Celebrate Fairfax! Festival

Friday, June 11 -  
Sunday, June 13

#### Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax

Celebrate Fairfax! Offers more than 25 acres of fantastic family fun including multiple entertainment stages, children's events, carnival and kiddie rides, vendors, food, interactive events, and lots more. For complete schedule and details, see the [Celebrate Fairfax! webpage](#).

### Deadline: Champions of Character Awards

Friday, June 25

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.

## Dates to Remember

(indicates page for additional information in this newsletter)

### Saturday, May 29 - Monday, May 31

Viva Vienna! Memorial Day Weekend community festival in Vienna (p. 3)

### Thursday, June 3 & 10

*Hunter Mill Melodies* concert series at Frying Pan Farm Park, 7:30 p.m. (p. 2)

Herndon Festival begins - June 3rd - 6th.

### Monday, June 14,

First Monday with Supervisor Hudgins, Reston Regional Library, 11-1 (p. 2)