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# Hunter Mill Highlights

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Dear Hunter Mill Friends,

My position as Hunter Mill District Supervisor has afforded me several opportunities to serve both my constituents and the Washington Metropolitan region. I currently serve on the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC), Virginia Association of Counties (VACO), and the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board. It is important for me to weigh in on both local and regional issues for the Hunter Mill District. I strive to be responsive to the needs of my constituents in Hunter Mill District through multiple communication mediums such as my newsletter, e-blast, television show, and social media. My staff has convinced me to start a Facebook page to reach even more constituents with timely information.

I was recently elected as Chairman of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority overseeing Metrorail, Metrobus, and Metro Access services. The Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project is moving towards the Hunter Mill District in the next two years. It is important that we are able to use this position to better connect the Hunter Mill District and Fairfax County to the region. Being an avid user of the transit services in our community for my commute, it is important to provide my input to the regional transportation authorities. A new transit system built in the Hunter Mill District will help sustain the prosperity of our district and provide new opportunities for our constituents in the future.

February is Black History Month in Fairfax County. Inside this edition, you will find information on events in the County, plus a relevant story on one of the Hunter Mill historical icons, Louise Archer and the historic Meeting House. I hope you enjoy it.

It has been a truly fulfilling experience to serve the constituents of the Hunter Mill District and I welcome the opportunity to serve you better through my new capacities in the future.

*Cathy Hudgins*



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We will keep you up-to-date on all the latest Hunter Mill and Fairfax news, events, and more on our Hunter Mill Facebook page. Our page will be your one stop shop to get all the most important and timely information about the events and issues. Visit our page at [www.Facebook.com](http://www.Facebook.com) and look for **Hunter Mill District**.

## Announcements

### FY 2012 Budget Update

The Board of Supervisors will receive the County Executive's FY 2012 Proposed Budget on Tuesday, February 22 at their regular BOS meeting. Details on the proposed budget plan will be available on the County's website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov>.

Supervisor Cathy Hudgins will host the Hunter Mill District Community Budget Meetings on:

**Saturday, March 19**, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, at Vienna Community Center

**Saturday, March 26**, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, at Reston Community Center at Hunters Woods.

Hunter Mill District School Board representative Stu Gibson, Hunter Mill District Citizen Budget Committee members, and County budget staff will be attending these sessions.

Fairfax County Public School Board voted to approve their FY 2012 Advertised Budget on February 3. The advertised budget includes 258.4 additional positions, step increases and market scale adjustments for employees. Information on the advertised budget is available at <http://www.fcps.edu/news/fy2012.htm>. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome at [hntmill@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:hntmill@fairfaxcounty.gov). I hope to hear from you!

### Free Income Tax Preparation and Assistance



Free income tax preparation is available through two different programs in Fairfax County. Be sure to check the websites for instructions and required items to complete the tax forms.

**Volunteer Income Tax Assistance** program has IRS certified volunteers to assist low income families, ensuring they receive the maximum tax refund. Information is available at the [Department of Family Services website](#). Sites in and near Hunter Mill are;

Connections for Hope:

13525 Dulles Technology Drive, Herndon  
Wednesdays 6-8 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m.- 1 p.m.

Herndon Resource Center:

1086 Elden Street, Herndon  
Wednesdays 6-8 p.m.

Lake Anne Skillsource:

11484 Washington Plaza West, Reston  
Tuesdays 3-8 p.m., Saturdays 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**AARP Tax-Aide** is the nation's largest free, volunteer-run tax preparation service available to tax payers with low-and middle income, with special attention to those 60 and older. AARP Tax-Aide program operates between February 1 - April 16 this year. The majority of the sites operate on a walk-in basis, with appointments required at some. For more information please visit the website at [http://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp\\_taxaide/](http://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide/).

Sites in the Hunter Mill District are:

Sun Trust Bank of Vienna, 515 Maple Avenue, Vienna  
Operating: Mondays thru Fridays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd. Reston  
Operating: Tuesdays 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursdays 4:30 to 8:30 p.m., Saturdays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### First Mondays with Supervisor Cathy Hudgins

March 7 - Patrick Henry Library

April 4 - Reston Regional

**NEW format for March:** The March **First Monday** session at Patrick Henry Library in Vienna will feature bus, bike and walking options to reach the planned new Tysons Metro Stations. Come at 1 p.m. to learn more about the options and bring your questions and comments. Please plan to join us.

Supervisor Cathy Hudgins holds First Monday each month to hear from you. Every month, you are invited to come and share any concern you may have on any issue with Supervisor Hudgins. First Monday hours are from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome, or if you prefer, you can schedule an appointment by calling the Hunter Mill District office at 703-478-0283.

## African American History Moment: Spotlighting African American Churches and Vienna Colored School

As we celebrate African-American History Month, I think it is important to remember the pivotal role African American churches played for social progress and organization among African Americans and provided a vehicle to develop a circle of support. Because of its center as a meeting place, the African American church, early on functioned as more than a “House of God”. The church was forced to assume additional responsibilities and thus, became a central institution. Churches such as Carterville Baptist (Vienna), First Baptist Church (Vienna), Mount Pleasant Baptist Church (Herndon), and New Union Baptist Church (Vienna) often taught the community to read and write. Thus, many educators have been born from the African American church.

### **Louise Archer Elementary School**

As part of the land purchased from Major O.E. Hine, by members of the First Baptist church, one-eighth of an acre was used to start the Vienna Colored School in 1867. In later years, the Church built a strong relationship with Louise Archer, a North Carolina-born educator residing in Washington, D.C. as a professor at Howard University and Miner Teachers College (now the University of the District of Columbia.) As a teacher, Louise Archer commuted to Vienna daily, first by public transportation; trolley car and train, and later via automobile.

A caring and thoughtful educator, she is quoted as saying, “Failure in school often discourages children so much that they fail in their life’s work. Then it is too late to do anything except be sorry... I am always sorry too when our children fail but I would rather help them make good before it is too late.”

Louise Archer became principal of the elementary school in September 1922, and served until March 1948. During her tenure she would sponsor high school students by providing her home address in Washington, D.C. She established the first graduation program at the school with four graduates. It was held at First Baptist Church in 1926. The third Vienna Colored School, built in 1939, was later named the Louise Archer School, and in 2009, celebrated its 70th anniversary.

### **Frying Pan Meeting House in Herndon**

While not recorded as an African-American church, the Frying Pan Meeting House, in what is now Herndon, was the site of the area’s first integrated congregation. Erected in 1791, the meeting house served as a Baptist church. Blacks and whites had separate entrances and seating areas, but uncommon for the era, slaveholders, freedmen and slaves worshiped under a common roof. As well, free blacks and slaves were baptized along with whites in nearby Frying Pan Branch. The church cemetery was the final resting place for both races, though separately group. Church services were held here into the 1960s. Now part of Frying Pan Farm Park, the cemetery is currently undergoing an archeological survey to identify and preserve the markers.

## Black History Month Events in Fairfax

### **Embracing Our Youth, Our Heritage and Celebrating All Cultures**

**Friday, February 11, 2011** Reception 6-7:15 p.m., with program beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Fairfax County Government Center Forum & Board Auditorium, 12000 Government Center Pkwy, Fairfax 22035  
Sponsored by Fairfax County in partnership with Cox. Guest speaker is Vice Admiral David L. Brewer, III (Retired)  
Program features guest speakers, choirs, step team, and dancers. Appetizers and light refreshments will be served at the reception. Free to the public.

### **Celebrate Black History Month**

**Saturday, February 19, 5-7 p.m.**, at Reston Museum, at Lake Anne Village Center, Reston

Speakers will share their Civil Rights experiences, sing Freedom Songs with Squire Muse, peruse Reston Community Center’s 2002 Color Line Project interviews of Restonians. Information at [www.RestonMuseum.org](http://www.RestonMuseum.org)

### **Black Troops in the American Civil War**

**Tuesday, February 22, 2011** at 2:00 p.m., at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne, Drive, Reston 20190.  
Educator Dr. Paul Renard talks about African American troops who served in the Civil War with interactive demonstrations. For adults. For additional information, call 703-689-2700.

## Public Meeting Scheduled for Bicycle Master Plan

The Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) will hold a public meeting on **Thursday, February 17, 2011** to present the final draft of the Tysons Corner Bicycle Master Plan, which is Phase I of the County Bicycle Master Plan document and maps. The plan reflects recommendations solicited from residents at a previous public meeting. The next step in the process is formal adoption from the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. The meeting is planned for Thursday, February 17, 7 p.m., at Kilmer Middle School, 8100 Wolftrap Road, Vienna.



Wolf Trap bridge opened to bikes and walkers last spring

The final plan will include detailed recommendations for physical infrastructure (bike paths, bike lanes, bike parking, etc.) to support bicycling in Tysons Corner and policies and programs that are needed in order to encourage residents and visitors to travel by bicycle. Following Phase I (the Tyson's Corner Bicycle Master Plan), Phase II of the project will establish a countywide bicycle master plan.

For additional information, visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/bike/county\\_bike\\_master\\_plan.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/bike/county_bike_master_plan.htm) or contact Jeff Hermann at 703-877-5600, TTY 711 or [bicycleprograms@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:bicycleprograms@fairfaxcounty.gov).

## Help Fill "Empty Bowls" to Fight Local Hunger in our Community

Our Daily Bread will hold its 3rd annual **Empty Bowls** event on **Thursday, February 24, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**, to benefit neighbors in need. Empty Bowls is a family-friendly community event held at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax City.



Guiding Our Neighbors  
Toward Self-Sufficiency

For a set donation, guests select a handcrafted soup bowl from the display, and enjoy a simple meal of soup or chili and bread donated by area restaurants. The meager meal and beautiful bowl that you take home serves as a symbolic reminder of those in our community who often go without. The one-of-a-kind pottery bowls are all donated by local ceramic artists, art students, and community members. All proceeds will benefit families in Fairfax County area who are facing financial crises. Attendees are advised to RSVP. Reservations and event details are available at

<http://www.our-daily-bread.org/>.

## Fairfax County and Justice Department Sign Agreement to Ensure Civic Access for People with Disabilities

The U.S. Department of Justice and Fairfax County announced an agreement to improve access to all aspects of civic life for persons with disabilities. The agreement is part of the Justice Department's Project Civil Access (PCA) program geared to work towards greater compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). County facilities, programs and communications will be evaluated to ensure barriers to participation by disabled citizens are eliminated. This may include physical modification to facilities, and ensuring access to County programs and communications.



Bill Bouie (*left*), with the Reston Community Center Board and had the honor of presenting **Ken Fredgren** (*right*) with the Citizen of the Year award at January's Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Celebration. Ken has been a tireless advocate in the community for access to public spaces for disabled citizens.

## County Considers Purchase of I-95 Waste-to-Energy Facility

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors is considering the purchase of the I-95 Waste-to-Energy Facility. Covanta Energy (Covanta) has owned and operated the plant since 1988. The current contract with Covanta expires in 2016. There is an option for Fairfax County to purchase the facility, however there is a deadline of April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 to enact this option.

The County Executive is recommending the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors (BOS) purchase the facility for several reasons: 1) reduces the cost for the county; 2) generates money - \$26 million today and up to \$100 million in the future; 3) cost more to renew the contract with Covanta; and 4) without control of the facility, Fairfax County might become a dumping ground for out-of-state garbage. In addition, not a single cent of tax money will be used to pay for the plant.

Various information meetings have been held to inform county residents of the proposed purchase. Information regarding the proposal can be found at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/trash/waste-to-energy.htm>. The Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing to consider the option of purchasing the Waste-to-Energy Facility on **Tuesday, February 22, 2011** at 4:30 p.m. – Fairfax County Governmental Center – Board Auditorium -12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia.



### Students Support Their Community with Contributions to the Coat Closet

Two of many local schools that have supported our coat collection, recently brought bags upon bags of coats they had collected to the Hunter Mill Winter Coat Closet for distribution to those in need. My thanks to all those who contributed and especially to those who collected, bagged and delivered the many wonderful, warm coats.

**Below:** Flint Hill School's Sam Gould, All-School Service Learning Coordinator, worked with Hunter Mill office staffer Paul Davis to unload a bus load of coats contributed by the Flint Hill students and community.

**Above:** Students from the **Potomac School** are shown with just a few of the many bags of contributions for the Coat Closet. Making the delivery are, from the left, Jack Rhodes, Maddie Aubuchon, Charlie Murphy, Supervisor Hudgins, Michael Dewberry, and Heather Wilson.



### Status of Hunter Mill District Projects

#### Fairway Apartments Redevelopment Proposal:

Fairway I & II Residential LLC (Applicant) has filed a Planned Residential Community 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. On September 22, 2010 the Planning Commission deferred this application indefinitely in order to continue addressing concerns regarding the development.

#### Sekas Homes: 8900 Old Courthouse Road, Vienna:

Sekas Homes, Ltd. and Land Design Consultants, Inc. has revised zoning application RZ 2010-HM-006 to rezone from R-1 to R-3 conventional with the development of six (6) lots @ 8900 Old Courthouse Road, Tax Map 28-4((1)), Parcel 20. Planning Commission public hearing was held on December 2, 2010 at 8:15 p.m. Decision only by Planning Commission deferred until February 9, 2011 at 8:15 p.m.

#### Reston Association – Dogwood Pool Renovation – 2460 Green Range Drive, Reston:

Reston Association has filed a Planned Residential Community plan (PRC-C-099) for substantial renovation of the 31 year old aquatics facility. Some highlights of the renovation will be additional parking, picnic pavilion with grills and an arbor with bench seating, accessible spray and play water features, new ADA accessible bath house with solar collectors; increase in pool capacity by 10% and several other features. Planning Commission public hearing is March 2, 2011 at 8:15 p.m.

#### Woodland Park Crossings Retail, L.L.C. & Woodland Park Apartments, LLC - Herndon:

Woodland Park Crossings Retail, L.L.C. and Woodland Park Apartments, LLC located, at 2300 and 2307 Woodland Crossing Drive, have filed a Comprehensive Sign Plan Amendment (CSPA 2003-HM-046) for one (1) monument sign, located at the corner of Eastpark Drive and Corporate Park Drive, to identify the Monroe Place residential building. No other changes are being proposed. Planning Commission public hearing is March 23, 2011 at 8:15 p.m.

#### South of Market Lot 16 LLC: Tax Map 17-3((10)) Parcel 16 – Reston, VA.

South of Market Lot 16 LLC seeks approval of a Planned Residential Community plan (PRC 85-C-088-02) for Section 91A, Block 16 of the Reston Town Center. The applicant proposed to amend a previously approved PRC plan for the property in order to implement the development of 359 multi-family residential units and 29,145 square feet of retail and restaurant uses. Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for June 16, 2011 @ 8:15 p.m.

#### Hunter Mill Country Day School: 2021 Hunter Mill Road, Vienna:

Hunter Mill Country Day School, previously approved for General Education, nursery and childcare, has filed Special Exception Amendment (SEA 86-C-066-02) to permit building additions with reduction of students. This application is indefinitely deferred pending status of waivers relating to Virginia Department of Transportation issues.

#### RPB & M, LCC: 11401, 11403, 11407, 11411 & 11417 Sunset Hills Road, Reston:

RPB & M, LLC has filed rezoning application RZ 2010-HM-004 and Final Development Plan 2010-HM-008. The application proposes development at Section 913, Tax Map 17-4((19)) Parcels 1,2,3,4,5A and 6A and 17-4((24)) 4B to develop one mid-size multi-family residential building (520 units), office building 170,000 sq. ft and 8,000 sq. ft. of support retail. No Planning Commission public hearing has been scheduled at this time. Planning staff is waiting for additional information from the Applicant regarding the 527 traffic analysis.

## Land Use Special Projects and Programs

### Reston Master Plan Special Study Task Force:

The Steering Committee met three times during the month of January. The meetings focused on: 1) establishing Steering Committee's mission; 2) review of the vision, goals and principles as recommended by the Vision committee; and 3) review/discussion of the draft Review Checklist designed to assist the committee in addressing key planning elements, identifying gaps, contradictions and redundancies in the various committee reports. For additional information and specific presentations access [http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/reston/meetings\\_taskforce.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/reston/meetings_taskforce.htm)

### Route 28 Station South Study Group:

The Route 28 Station South Study Group met on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. The group reviewed their vision for the Southern Study Area, and Planning staff presented a draft concept for the study area. The Department of Transportation provided two Multimodal Connection concepts. The group discussed the various conceptual floor area ratios with some of the group raising concern about the levels, and concern about incentives for potential developers to ensure future growth. Planning staff is preparing another concept with higher development potential for the study group to consider. They will be discussed at the next meeting set for mid-March. The specific date has not been set yet. For the meeting schedule and updated information on the Rt. 28 South – Station Study you can access <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/route28.htm>.

### Go green, give your car a rest, and telework during Telework Week: February 14-18, 2011

Telework Week, a nationwide effort to encourage agencies, organizations, and individuals to pledge to telework. Telework is a win-win-win opportunity that supports workforce productivity and continuity, work/life balance, and commuter cost savings, reduction of traffic and greenhouse gas emissions.

### Invasive Plant Removal Program Reaches Milestone

The Fairfax County Park Authority's Invasive Management Area (IMA) program will celebrate its 1,000th workday with a planned workday on Wednesday, February 16, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., at Lake Accotink IMA site. The timing matches the celebration of National Invasive Species Awareness Week in Washington at the end of the month.

IMA was established in 2006 and has shown wonderful progress over the past five years. Fairfax County parkland is healthier due to the habitat restoration efforts of dedicated volunteers who remove non-native invasive plants and assist in natural regeneration by planting native plant species. This volunteer-based stewardship program has seen 4,620 volunteers work nearly 18,000 hours to manage more than 50 acres of parkland.

The IMA program has had over 1.6 million customer contacts through education and outreach events, such as Girl Scout Gold Award projects, Boy Scout Eagle projects, Green Festivals, scientific meetings, and Virginia Master Naturalist activities.

The IMA program has been recognized with numerous awards, including the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors' Environmental Excellence Award, the Park Authority's Elly Doyle honors, and Volunteer Fairfax Service Awards. IMA partners include Earth Sangha, park sites, the Virginia Department of Forestry, Potomac conservancy, and Fairfax ReLeaf. For more information about the event or program, call Kathy Frederick at 703-324-8681, or visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/resources/IMA/>



### Supervisor Catherine M. Hudgins Elected Chairman of the Board of Directors for Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA)

On January 27, Supervisor Catherine M. Hudgins was elected to chair the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). The WMATA Board oversees Metrorail, Metrobus, and Metro Access services throughout the Washington Metropolitan Region. Over 343 million individuals used transit services in FY 2010 and growth is expected with the addition of the Silver Line through the Dulles Corridor in 2013. As WMATA Chairman, Supervisor Hudgins will focus on safety, reliability, and customer service.



Hunter Mill staff celebrated with Cathy and cake

### Virginia Department of Transportation Draws Back HOT Lanes Plans

Secretary of Transportation Sean Connaughton announces that HOV/HOT lanes project will no longer include six miles of lane construction on Interstate 395 in Alexandria and Arlington County. The new HOT Lanes project will be 29 miles stretching from Garrisonville Road in Stafford County to the vicinity of Edsall Road on I-395 in Fairfax County. Construction of the 14-mile HOT lanes project on I-495 is more than 50 percent complete and the lanes will open to traffic by early 2013. In addition, Virginia Department of Transportation will focus on increasing funding to local transit projects and commuter lots.

### Residential Transportation Administration Program (RTAP) Update

Virginia Department of Transportation has installed Watch for Children Signs on Liberty Tree Lane in Vienna. Supervisor Hudgins and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors approved the traffic calming measure at the December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### Dulles Rail Construction Progress

The Dulles Corridor Metrorail Phase I project has hit another significant milestone. Construction of the first phase of the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project has reached the 27% mark. Phase I includes four stations in Tysons Corner and one station in Reston. It is slated to be open in 2013.



**Above:** Girders have been set and more than 50 percent of the trackway concrete decks have been completed where the new line connects with the Orange Line tracks at I-66/Dulles Connector Road.

**Left:** Cranes being used to build bridge spans from Dulles Connector Road to Route 123.

*Photos by Chuck Samuelson, Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project.*

## 2011 Native Tree and Shrub Seedling Sale

Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District is taking orders for this year's selection of native tree and shrub seedlings. This year's package features specimens that are deer resistant and ideal for common areas and individual yards. Trees and shrubs help cleanse water, prevent soil erosion, provide habitat, and clear our air.

- **Deer Resistant Package** (\$15.95): 10 bare root shrubs and small trees including Spicebush, Silky Dogwood, Red Osier Dogwood, Serviceberry and Pawpaw.
- **Bare-Root Trees Package** (\$10.95): 6 bare root trees include Sycamore, American Hornbeam and Black Oak.

Payment and orders must be received by Monday, April 11, or until supplies run out. To see images of this year's plants and for order forms, visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/nvswcd/seedlingsale.htm>



Black Oak: photo by Mark Moran, Island Creek Elementary School.



## Rainbow Trout Fishing Returns to Lake Fairfax

Grab your gear and join in the fun and excitement of fishing for rainbow trout at Lake Fairfax Park this spring. The trout season will run from February 18 through April 29, 2011. Anglers wishing to get in on some trout fishing action can do so from the shores of Lake Fairfax between 7 a.m. and dusk.

Season pass prices for those 16 years of age and older are \$45; anglers between the ages of 6-15 and 64 years of age and older are just \$40. Daily pass prices for 16 and older are \$12; ages 6-15 and 64+ are \$6. Passes can be purchased at the park. Under the Park Authority trout fishing 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.

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



## Job Opportunities with the Park Authority

### Maintenance Worker: Frying Pan Farm Park

30-40 hours per week with some weekends and evenings required.

Frying Pan Farm Park is looking for energetic individuals passionate about providing superior park and recreation experiences as a member of the park maintenance crew. Crew is responsible for routine, preventive and as needed maintenance, custodial and security tasks associated with a range of facilities. This position is not a farm hand. Hourly rate: commensurate with experience starting at \$13.13. For more information, call Lee Ann Shenefiel at 703-437-8257.

*Coming soon -*

### Open Hire Session for Summer Rec-PAC

Rec-PAC will have summer programs in 50 FCPS schools throughout the Fairfax. To be considered, applicants should attend a Open Hire session;

**March 11** - 12-5 p.m. at Herrity Building  
12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax

**March 18** - 4:30-8:30 p.m. Hutchison Elementary

**April 6** - 5-9 p.m. at Lane Elementary

**May 13** - 12-5 p.m. at Herrity Building

**June 15** - 12-5 p.m. at Herrity Building.

Applicants must bring a social security card, driver's license and bank information to be considered for employment. For more information, contact the Rec-PAC office at [RecPAC@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:RecPAC@fairfaxcounty.gov)

## Electric Sunday Recycling Event

February 27, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Road, Fairfax.

Residents can recycle televisions, computers, monitors and peripheral electronic devices such as printers, scanners, speakers, keyboards, mice and external drives. Also collected at these events are unbroken fluorescent tubes and light bulbs.

### Congratulations

#### **Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) Earn Virginia Index of Performance Awards**

Twenty-four FCPS received the 2011 Governor's Award for Educational Excellence, a recognition of schools that have met all state and federal achievement benchmarks for at least two consecutive years and achieve excellence goals. Congratulations to the following schools serving Hunter Mill District students;

**Fox Mill Elementary**

**Louise Archer Elementary**

**Westbriar Elementary**

**Wolftrap Elementary**

**Carson Middle**

**Kilmer Middle**

**Thoreau Middle**

**Oakton High**

Fifty-eight FCPS schools received the 2011 Board of Education Excellence Award, including

**Aldrin Elementary**

**Armstrong Elementary**

**Flint Hill Elementary**

**Floris Elementary**

**Marshall Road Elementary**

**Sunrise Valley Elementary**

**Vienna Elementary**

**Madison High**

**Marshall High**

Sixteen FCPS sites were awarded the 2011 Board of Education Competence Excellence Award. Hunter Mill District sites are;

**Crossfield Elementary**

**McNair Elementary**

**Terraset Elementary**

Additional information and complete listing of award-winning schools is available at

<http://commweb.fcps.edu/newsreleases/newsrelease.cfm?newsid=1616>

## Springtime Makes an Early Appearance

Missy, a Hereford cow, delivered twin calves last Saturday, marking the first of the springtime babies due at Frying Pan Farm Park. She delivered a few weeks early but twins were an unexpected bonus. The [Frying Pan Farm Park website](#) has complete listing of the all the animals' due dates and will have photos of the newborns as they make their first appearance.



## NOVEC Scholarship Opportunities for High School Students

Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative (NOVEC) and the Virginia, Maryland & Delaware Association of Electric Cooperatives are accepting applications from Northern Virginia high school seniors for higher-education scholarships.

**NOVEC's Dollars for Scholars Program:** The NOVEC Dollars for Scholars selection committees will award \$1,500 scholarships to high school students in each county where NOVEC provides electrical service. Due to the large number of customers who live in Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William, two students in each of these counties will receive scholarships. Another scholarship will be awarded to a student who either attends private school or is home-schooled. In addition, the top overall student will receive an additional \$1,500 J. Manley Garber scholarship for a total award of \$3,000. Each selection committee will look for students who have demonstrated scholastic achievement, community service, work experience, and leadership skills.

Information and application is available at [www.novec.com](http://www.novec.com) and selecting "College Scholarship Opportunities Now Available", or by contacting Donna Snelling at [dsnellings@novec.com](mailto:dsnellings@novec.com), or 703-392-1511.