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CAC Meeting

The next Sully District Station Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) will be held on February 15, 2011 at 1900 hours (7 p.m.) at the Sully Station (4900 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly, VA 20151).

Not only will we be making the "Officer of the Year" selection and presentation, we have a guest speaker coming. Sergeant Dalton Becker, the Canine Section Supervisor, and his partner, Rico, will come speak about their section, what a canine handler does, the types of crimes they track on, what the dogs' scent capability is, and answer any questions you may have about this important police asset.

Prescribed Burn in the Sully Woodlands

The Fairfax County Park Authority are planning a prescribed burn at the Elklick Preserve location (in the Sully Woodlands) on Pleasant Valley Road south of Cox Farm on **Monday, February 14, 2011**. Staging will begin at 9 a.m. and the burn will begin at about 10 a.m. The burns are conducted in coordination with the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and the Virginia Department of Forestry, and under a permit from the Fairfax County Fire Marshal.

The meadows at Elklick Preserve in Sully Woodlands host a wide range of plant and animal species to include several species that are now uncommon in Virginia. These grass dominant ecosystems are adapted to fire. Fire is used as a management tool under the Virginia Prescribed Burning Program and helps stimulate native plant growth and health, suppress non-native invasive plant species, reduce the number of young trees that would eventually reforest the field, and improve the wildlife habitat.



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