

# Hunter Mill Highlights from Supervisor Cathy Hudgins

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Dear Hunter Mill Friends,

As every child knows it is time to make merry and celebrate the holiday season. Regardless of holiday plans, no matter what you honor, Chanukkah, Kwanzaa, Christmas, or the New Year, whether you greet with Chúc Giáng Sinh Vui Vẻ,

Frohe Weihnachten und Frohes neues Jahr, or 즐거운 성탄절 보내시고 새해

복 많이 받으세요, there is no denying we all think about that for which we are grateful.

In fact, it is the perfect time to count our blessings - such as the community we live in, the schools that our young people attend, those who watch over us, guard us and care for us, those who enrich and stimulated our lives, and our many, ever-expanding mobility options – to name a few.

In Fairfax County, there a buzz in the air with new County Executive Bryan Hill, new Deputy County Executive for Human Service Tisha Deeghan, and new Fire & Rescue Chief John Butler, generating new organizational vigor. On the horizon, revitalized energy flows between the Board of Supervisors and the Fairfax County School Board. They are working together on matters of budget and community programming to unify services delivery rather than through separate piece meal implementation. In Hunter Mill District this year, the presence of the Silver Line stimulated a vibrant economic foundation, making Reston and Tysons very attractive residential and business opportunities. Live, work, play is a reality that Bob Simon would adore for an increasing segment of the Reston population.

At this joyous time of year, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you—it's been a pleasure working with and for you this year. I'm really looking forward to continuing in 2019 with future ventures.

Wishing you abundance, happiness, and peace in a new year filled with hope, with joy and meaning. Happy holidays whatever they are!

Catty Audgins



Fairfax County Health Department has a new video of <u>HEALTH HOLIDAY HELPFUL HINTS</u> to help you travel safely, eat healthy, destress, and stay germ-free for a safe and healthy holiday season. Check it out!

# Coat Closet Call for COATS

This year's Winter Coat Closet has been open for a few weeks and already distributed armfuls of coats. Your donation of new or gently used coats are needed and will be greatly appreciated. Last year, over 5,000 winter coats were distributed, along with numerous gloves, mittens, and scarves. Coats in all sizes are needed: youth, adults, men's and women's.

Donations can be dropped off during the Coat Closet sessions, or left in the drop box at the North County Governmental Center, 1801 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston. The Coat Closet will be open for distributing coats to those in need through March 14th. Days and hours are:

- Tuesdays 3:30 to 7:15 pm
- Thursdays 3:30 to 7:15 pm.



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This is an excellent opportunity to help individuals and families in the community in need of a warm coat and accessories this cold winter season. Last year over 5,000 coats and accessories were collected and distributed. The Coat Closet is a cooperative venture of the Hunter Mill Supervisor's Office, Cornerstones, and the many, many businesses and individuals in the community who provide both assistance and coats.

For more information, contact Nate King, Donations and Drives Coordinator, 571-323-9569.

### Fairfax County Emergency Information

# Keeping Safe this Holiday: Be Aware of Candle and Holiday Tree Fires

December is the peak time of year for home fires. Candles start two out of five home fires, and the top three days for home candle fires are Christmas, New Year's Day and Christmas Eve. Be fire smart as you deck the halls for a festive holiday season with these tips:

- Use battery-operated flameless candles, which can look, smell, and feel like real candles.
- If you do use lit candles, put them in stable holders and place them where they can't be knocked over.
- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that burns. Never leave a burning candle alone.

### **Christmas Tree Fires**

Although Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they are more likely to be serious. On average, one of every 32 reported home Christmas tree fires results in a death compared to an average of one death per 143 total reported home fires.

- Water your Christmas trees every day. A dry tree can easily catch on fire.
- Keep your Christmas tree at least three feet away from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, candles or heat vents. Don't block your exits with your tree.
- Inspect your holiday lights each year before you put them up. Throw away strands with frayed or pinched wires. Read the manufacturer's instructions for the number of light strands to connect.
- Turn off all holiday lights before going to bed or leaving your home.
- One of every four home Christmas tree fires is caused by electrical problems.
- A heat source too close to the tree causes one in every four Christmas tree fires.

## Holiday Schedule for Fairfax County Government

Fairfax County Government offices are closed for the Christmas and New Year's holidays on

- Monday, December 24,
- Tuesday, December 25, and
- Tuesday, January 1.

However, some facilities are open and schedules vary.

Check the Holiday Schedule announcement for links to public schools, library, animal shelter, courts, transportation, and parks and recreation facilities.



## Update on PRC Zoning Amendment for Reston

Over the course of the past year and half, the Department of Planning and Zoning, in coordination with the Hunter Mill District Office, has hosted both large and small community meetings to discuss the proposed Reston Planned Residential Community (PRC) Zoning amendment. The current maximum density of 13 persons/acre in the Reston PRC was enacted back in the 1970's when Reston was had a population of only 28,000 (1976). The goal of the zoning amendment is to implement the long-term planned residential growth contemplated in the adopted 2014 Comprehensive Plan for Reston PRC.

This long-term growth is limited to the Reston Town Center, the Village Centers and a few sites that have long been planned for non-residential or high density residential use. This PRC amendment does not facilitate residential development on either of Reston's two golf courses because these are planned to remain golf courses under the adopted Reston Master Plan.

On December 4, 2018, the Board of Supervisors authorized the public hearings on the proposed PRC Zoning Ordinance Amendment for the following dates:

- Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 7:30pm Planning Commission Public Hearing (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax Board Auditorium)
- **Tuesday, March 5, 2019** at 4:30pm Board of Supervisors Public Hearing (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax Board Auditorium)
- In addition, a Planning Commission Workshop is scheduled for **Thursday, January 10**, at 7:30pm (Government Center Board Auditorium). This session is for Planning Commissioners' questions & discussion only, not an opportunity for public input.

You can review Staff Report at <u>https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-zoning/sites/planning-zoning/files/assets/</u> <u>documents/zoning%20ordinance/proposed%20amendments/restonprcdistrict/restonprc-staffreport.pdf</u>

Additional information is available at <u>https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-zoning/zoning-ordinance/reston-prc-zoning</u>-ordinance-amendment

The small working group sessions with County staff and residents are available for viewing on the Hunter Mill District website - <a href="https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/huntermill/">https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/huntermill/</a>

## Learn the Latest on zMOD Zoning Modernization



The Department of Planning and Zoning is hosting a public meeting focusing on the Zoning Ordinance Modernization Project (zMOD) draft of Public, Institutional, and Community Land Use. The meeting will be on **Tuesday, January 8**, 7pm, at the Fairfax County Government Center Conference Rooms 4/5 (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax).

If you can't attend, you can watch the Facebook Live event on the Fairfax County Zoning Facebook Page. For additional information on zMOD, visit <u>https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-zoning/zmod</u>.



## Now Playing on Channel 16: Connecting with Supervisor Hudgins

Each month, Supervisor Hudgins hosts a television program on the County's Channel 16, on a variety of important issues and topics in the Hunter Mill District and the County.

### December: Preparing for SNOW and Winter Weather

Join Hunter Mill District Supervisor Cathy Hudgins and guests as they discuss the how the County and VDOT prepare and treat our roads and highways for winter weather.

Broadcast times and days, and video on demand links to the current show are available on the <u>"Connecting with Supervisor Hudgins" webpage</u>, or view on demand from the <u>Hunter Mill District webpage</u>, or <u>here</u>.

Encore: Trees In case you missed last month's program on Trees, you can still view on-demand at this link.

## Notary Services Available at the Hunter Mill District Office

If you are in need of the services of a Notary, look no further than the Hunter Mill District Office at the North County Governmental Center - 1801 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston. Kathleen Driscoll in our office is a certified notaries and can take care of your needs. Please call ahead - 703-478-0283 - or email <u>Kathleen Driscoll</u> to arrange for convenient time.

# **Christmas Tree Care**

Living Christmas trees are an option for those who want to enjoy their tree as a landscape feature throughout the year, not just for the holiday season. They, however, require special treatment.

Living trees in containers or balled and burlaped should not be carried by the stem, even though they may be unwieldy. It is important also to allow the tree to adjust to being in a heated room by leaving it in an unheated garage or shed for several days prior to bringing it inside and for several days before bringing it back outside. Your tree also needs plenty of water while indoors. However, living trees should only remain in the home for no more than 10 days otherwise they will start to grow. Trees should be planted immediately or if the ground is frozen, it should be placed in a shallow hole and covered with mulch until it can be planted.

Cut Christmas trees are also a popular option to celebrate the holidays. However, care must be taken in order to have a tree that will last and not be hazardous. Once you select a tree and take it home, be sure to make a fresh, straight cut across the bottom of the trunk, at least 1 inch (or more) above the old base to help the tree absorb water. To keep the tree fresh, it should be kept well-watered to ensure that it does not become a fire hazard and lose a lot of needles. Do not place Christmas trees near heat sources such as candles, radiators, fireplaces or



space heaters. Some trees may absorb a gallon or more of water during the first day so be sure to keep the cut trunk immersed in water at all times. Cut Christmas trees should be cared for similarly to cut flowers.

Once the holiday tree is taken down, it may be disposed of at the curb or recycled for free (for trees less than 8 feet). Trees may also be repurposed for mulch, winter protection for tender vegetation, or burned for fuel. Some zoos may also take still green trees as enrichment for resident animals.

For more information, please contact the Fairfax County Urban Forest Management Division at <u>treemail@fairfaxcounty.gov</u> or 703-324-1770, TTY 711.





# December Programs at the Library Near You

### PATRICK HENRY LIBRARY EVENTS: 703-938-0405

**Teen Anime and Gaming:** Friday, December 21, 3:30pm. Teens interested in Japanese animation and Manga meet to watch, draw, read and game. Teens

**Welcome to the Neighborhood Storytime!:** Tuesday, December 18, 4:30pm. Help us celebrate International Migrants Day with special stories for kids and resources for parents. Preschool, school age.

**Make Your Own Snowflake:** Thursday, December 27, 1:30pm. Drop-in to make a variety of paper snowflakes to celebrate winter and "Make Cut-Out Snowflakes Day". School age and teens.

**Noon Year's Eve:** Monday, December 31, 11:30am. Ring in the new year at a kid-friendly time. All ages

#### RESTON REGIONAL LIBRARY EVENTS: 703-689-2700

**Reston Holiday Open House:** Saturday, December 15, 11am. Join our staff as we celebrate the holiday season with light refreshments, music, entertainment and fun. All ages

Balloon Twister (11am) Illuminated Cards and Glowing Gifts - (2pm for ages 6-11) (3:30pm for ages 12-18). (R)

**Fantastic Films - You've Got Mail:** Saturday, December 22, 2pm. Warm up with hot cocoa and enjoy "You've Got Mail" (PG) set in wintertime NYC. Stars Meg Ryan and Tom Hanks. Adults and teens.

**Dollars and Sense:** Thursday, December 27, 7pm. Monthly group focuses on business leaders and markets. Read to discuss *The Truth About Your Future* by Ric Edelman. Adults

Not sure how to use your new devices? One-on-One Computer/Internet/eBook Help is available at the library! (R) = reservation required

Visit the Fairfax County Public Library website for branch, additional programs, information, and registration. (R) = reservation required

## Transportation



### Winter is Coming and so is the SNOW

Winter is coming which means that the propensity for a winter event will increase. With 3500 pieces of equipment at their disposal, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) plows and treats nearly 14,000 lane miles of road and 12,000 park and ride spaces in Northern Virginia alone! The majority of those lane miles are secondary streets including subdivision and neighborhood roads.

A few days before a winter event, assuming that temperatures are above 20 degrees and the weather won't begin as rain; VDOT will apply an anti-icing treatment known as brine to the roads. Brine is composed of 23% salt and 77% water, it also creates the white lines that you would see on the road. Nearly 2,000 lane miles are treated with brine. Those include bridges, ramps, and overpasses.

VDOT begins to mobilize their plows 12-18 hours before a small event, and 18-24 hours before a large event. This is when contractors load and stage their plows, which is why you may see a group of plows idling in your neighborhood.

Once snowfall has exceeded two inches, the plows take to the streets. The plows work roads in priority order, meaning that the most heavily traversed roads are treated first. VDOT strives to make the roads passable. Passable does not mean that the road will be entirely clear of snow, there will still be a coating of snow visible on the ground, but the snow will not extend from curb to curb. Passable means that the road will have an 8-10-foot width and is drivable with extreme caution. For typical winter events it usually only takes one attempt to make it passable, however it may take multiple attempts for major events.

VDOT has 18 maintenance headquarters in Northern Virginia, half of them are located in Fairfax County. VDOT also has 633 snow maps in Northern Virginia. You can view and track plows by going to <u>vdotplows.org</u>. VDOT also has a customer service center where you can request work or report unsafe conditions. You can reach VDOT's customer service center by calling 1-800-FOR-ROAD. You can also stay updated on road conditions by calling 511.

The Virginia Department of Transportation works hard during winter events to ensure that Northern Virginia's roads are passable and safe to traverse so you can get to where you need to go.

(See page 2 for link to Supervisor Hudgins' cable show on preparing for snow!)

### Return to Cycling Class Begins in January

Stay active and healthy by cycling in your later years. There is more infrastructure to support biking than ever before, and more health benefits than we realize. But concerns about traffic, hills, balance and motivation are real, so let's talk about them. A League of American Bicyclists certified instructor will go over the many options available to older riders, answer questions and concerns and plan a future test ride. No need to bring your bike this time just bring your enthusiasm for returning to those days of freedom and joy. This class is offered by Reston Community Center. Please visit the <u>RCC website</u> for registration and fee.

# Adjusting to New Recycling Realities: 5 Ways You Can Help Stop Wishful Recycling

What happens to your recycled items these days? That's a good question as the worldwide recycling market has changed dramatically in recent months. Here in Fairfax County, the local third-party recycling processor says nearly 30 percent of material received is actually trash. To do our part, we need everyone to focus on reducing the amount of contaminated materials placed in recycling bins.

There are five ways you can help stop the practice of "wishful recycling" - placing items in the recycling bin because you think they will probably be recycled.

- Only place empty, clean, dry, loose items in your bin.
- Dump the Filthy Five! These five items should <u>never</u> be placed in your recycling bin:
  1.Plastic Bags 2.Shredded paper 3.Tanglers (hoses/hangers/cords) 4.Styrofoam containers 5.Dirty Diapers
- Purchase products made with high recycled content.
- When in doubt, throw it out.
- Make an effort to reduce the amount of waste you create reuse what you can.

If changes aren't made to how we recycle, that could lead to even higher costs, wishful recycled items left at the curb, and future changes to pickup procedures, such as sorting your recyclable rather than placing them all together.



Photos: VDOT fleet of snow movers stand ready.

# Hunter Mill District Land Use Projects

The complete listing of district land use projects will be posted and updated on the Hunter Mill District/land use website at <a href="https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/huntermill/district-land-use-cases">https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/huntermill/district-land-use-cases</a>. In addition, links to the County's Land Development System (LDS) have been included for access to additional documents and information on the specific application. Information on all residential and commercial properties can be accessed through the Department of Tax Administration's <u>Real Estate Assessment Information Site</u>. You can search a property by address or tax map reference numbers. In the applications below, tax map reference numbers are in [brackets]. Addresses have also been included where available.

### **New Applications**

**ORR-BSL Hunter Mill, LLC** filed an application proposing an assisted living facility at 2347 Hunter Mill Road [Tax Map 37-2((1)) Parcel 26]. The two story building with a cellar will contain approximately 43,680 square feet of gross floor area. The proposed building height is approximately 38 feet and will comprise of single and double occupancy rooms with a maximum of 86 beds. Approximately sixty surface parking spaces will be provided for residents, staff and visitors. **A tentative Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for June 12, 2019 at 7:30 pm.** 

**Reston Crescent (One Reston Co. LLC and Two Reston Co. LLC)** filed a Conceptual Plan Amendment (CDPA/2016-HM-007), Final Development Plan Amendment and Proffer Condition Amendment to adjust the development tabulations in anticipation of future Final Development Plans and to reconcile with the multi-model network within Reston Crescent to accommodate the now-refined footprint. The Application is not proposing to adjust the mix of uses or increase the density approved with the rezoning. [Tax Map 17-3((8))1A-1 and 1B] **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2019 at 7:30pm.** 

### **Applications Approved**

**Woodfield Acquisitions, LLC** - The Board of Supervisors approved this application at their November 20, 2018 meeting. <u>Additional information online</u> and <u>DPA HM-117-03</u> and <u>PCA B-846-04</u>.

JBG/1831 Wiehle LLC, EYA Development LLC and The Chevy Chase Land Company of Montgomery County, MD - The Board of Supervisors approved this application on December 4, 2018. <u>Additional information online</u> and at <u>FDP 2016-HM-024</u>

AG –ARC Reston 1 Owner LLC, AG-ARC Reston 2 Owner, and AG-ARC Reston 3 Owner LLC - The Board of Supervisors approved this application on December 4, 2018. Additional information online and at <u>RZ/FDP 2018-HM-004</u> and <u>SE 2018-HM-002</u>

**Stanley Martin Companies, LLC on behalf of Tall Oaks Development Company LLC and Tall Oaks Commercial Center LLC -** The Board of Supervisors approved this application on December 4, 2018. <u>Additional information online</u>

### Applications Scheduled: (Staff report is posted 2 weeks prior to the Planning Commission hearing.)

**Prince Towne, LLC** has filed Proffer Condition Amendment (PCA 84-C-048) to amend the proffers approved pursuant to RZ 84-C-048 in order to permit the development of residential housing at a density of 1.84 dwelling units per acre. The property is located at 2925, 2927 and 2929 West Ox Road, Herndon [Tax Map 25-4 ((14)) parcels 85, 86, and 87]. The Plan proposes nine (9) lot subdivision to integrate with the Franklin Oaks subdivision to the north and east and with the Franklin Oaks subdivision to the west. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, January 9, 2019, 7:30pm. The Board of Supervisors public hearing is January 22, 2019 at 3:30pm.** Additional information online

**Faraday Partners, LLC** has filed a rezoning and final development plan, (RZ/FDP 2017-HM-009) to rezone 1808 Michael Faraday Court from Industrial 5 District to a Planned Residential Mixed-Use District. The property is located on the west side of Michael Faraday Court, north of Sunset Hill Road and the W&OD trail [Tax Map is 18-3 ((1)), Parcel 26]. The temporary application numbers are RZ 2017-0074 and FDP 2017-0075. The Applicant is proposing to redevelop the existing office building with a seven story residential building and an urban park. **This application has been indefinitely deferred.** Additional information online

## Applications Accepted (to be scheduled)

**1900-02 Campus Commons, LLC** has filed a Rezoning and Development Plan (RZ/FDP2017-HM-018) and Proffer Condition (PCA 79-C-023) Amendment for approximately 11.6 acres at 1900 – 1902 Campus Commons [Tax Map 17-4 ((1)) Parcels 33 and 34] at the corner of Sunrise Valley Drive and Campus Commons Drive. The Applicant is seeking a mix of residential units and retail

#### Land Use continued -

space, in addition to maintaining the existing office buildings. Two development options are being proposed: an additional 1,182,435 to 1,183,635 square feet of residential gross floor area with up to 1,097 residential units and between 18,480 and 26,480 square feet of ground retail. This is inclusive of the existing 233,390 square feet of office and 1,980 square feet of retail, with a combined total of 1,419,005 square feet of development. **The Planning Commission public hearing has not been scheduled.** Additional information online and at RZ 2017-HM-018 and PCA 79-C-023.

**Inova Health Care Services and the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County** have filed Proffer Condition Amendments (PCA 74-2-113-05 and PCA 86-C-121-07) concurrent with Rezoning application (RZ 2017-HM-020) to establish the Grid of Streets and streetscape, Central Green and Infrastructure associated with the proposed redevelopment of Reston Town Center North. The property is located on the south side of Baron Cameron Avenue, east and west of Town Center Parkway, west side of Fountain Drive and the south side of Bowman Towne Drive. Addresses: 11901 & 12000 Baron Cameron Avenue; 11925 & 12000 Bowman Towne Drive (1801 Cameron Glen Drive), 1800 & 1850 Cameron Glen Drive; and 1778 Fountain Drive, Reston, VA. 20190. [Tax Map Numbers: 17-1 ((1)) Parcels 3F, 12, 13, 14A, 14B, 14C, 14D, 14E, 14F and 017-1 ((17)) Parcel 5A]. **The Planning Commission public hearing has not been scheduled.** Additional information online

**Reston Crossing** has filed a Rezoning/Final Development Plan (RZ/FDP 2018-HM-002)to rezone property located at 2001 Edmund Halley Drive, Reston [Tax Map 17-3 ((8)) Parcels A and part of 2A] from Medium Industrial District I-4 to Planned Development Commercial District (PDC) to permit the development of a mixed use project. The existing suburban style office campus consisting of two office buildings with approximately 332,277 square feet is proposed to be replaced with a maximum of 1,965,000 square feet of gross floor area. The office development would range from 38-58 percent of total development; residential development would range from 36-59 percent of the final development, with retail uses representing 3 to 6 percent of total development; with an overall floor area ratio (FAR) of 3.20, inclusive of bonus associated with workforce housing. **The Planning Commission public hearing has not been scheduled.** Additional information online

**APA Properties No. 6, LP** (Isaac Newton Square) has filed rezoning application (RZ 2-18-HM-020) to rezone from Industrial District-5 to Planned Residential Mixed-Use (PRM), [Tax Map 17-4 ((5)), parcels 3C1, 3E1, 3N1, 3W2, 6S2, 6S4, 7E2 and 7N2]. The property is comprised of eight parcels equaling 32.14 acres. The proposed neighborhood will comprise up to 2,828,884 square feet of uses (inclusive of any bonus density units), including 2,500,000 square feet of residential uses, 2,100 square feet of residential uses, 68,884 square feet of retail uses and 260,000 square feet of office uses. Applicant proposes up to 2,100 residential units, to include 14% workforce dwelling units and where applicable Affordable Dwelling Units (ADU). Planning Commission public hearing is to be determined after Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA). **Planning Commission public hearing has not been scheduled.** Additional information online

**Foulger-Pratt Development, LLC** has filed application (RZ 2018-HM-019) to rezone from Industrial District I-3 to Planned Residential Mix-Use project to include new buildings designed to provide commercial space and a variety of housing opportunities, at 1900-1920 Association Drive, Reston. Block 1 – Assisted/Independent Living building, Blocks 2, 3 and 4 contain a combination of front loaded and rear loaded townhouses and 2-over-2 flats, Block 5 contains a residential condominium with 154 units and 169,263 square feet of gross floor area, Block 6 contains a 14-story office building with 308,288 square feet of gross floor area, Block 7 contains a 7-story multi-family building with 360 units proposed and Block 8 contains a combination of townhouses and 2-over 2 units. Planning Commission public hearing has not been scheduled. Additional information online

### Details on these applications and complete listing of all HUNTER MILL DISTRICT LAND USE CASES are online

### Hunter Mill District Land Use Committee

The Hunter Mill District Land Use Committee will not meet in the month of December. The next meeting will be **Tuesday, January 15, 2019**, at 7:30pm, North County Governmental Center (1801 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston).

For information, contact <u>Goldie Harrison</u>, 703-478-0283.



### Interested in Land Use in the Hunter Mill District?

Would you like to join the Hunter Mill residents who advise on district land use cases? The **Hunter Mill Land Use Committee** is seeking a few more members. The committee meets once a month. Contact <u>Goldie Harrison</u> at the Hunter Mill District Office if you are interested.

## Holiday Cheers Enjoyed at the Hunter Mill Open House



Residents and friends joined Supervisor Hudgins and staff for a bit of holiday cheer on Dec. 5th.

#### Photos:

(Left) No celebration is complete without Raul and Maria Garza-Chapa, joined by Officer Brandi Horita.

(Right) Dean Kline, Jerry Poge and Conrad Egan share their cheery smiles.

(Right) Mark Ingrao, Supervisor Hudgins, and Dennis Hayes enjoy the festivities.

(Left) Our thanks to the **Reston Hyatt** for their wonderful cookies, plus **Trader Joe's** and **Harris Teeter** for their contributions to our table.

(Below left) **The Reston Chorale** led us in several carols.

(Below right) Capt. Jack Hardin, Howard Springsteen and Bettina Lawton enjoy the goodies.











### Park News

### **Snow Day Camp Options**

The Park Authority's Snow Day Camps offer an alternative for working parents in need of childcare on snowy days. Snow Day Camps will be held when Fairfax County Public Schools are closed for students two or more days in a row due to inclement weather (holiday breaks excluded). Camps operate from 9am to 5pm for children ages five to ten, at Spring Hill, Oak Marr, Audrey Moore and Lee District RECenters. Once a decision has been made to operate based on school and county closing, a registration link will be placed on the <u>Snow Day Camp website</u>. Sign up in advance to receive an email notification as soon as Snow Day Camp registration opens. Space is limited!

### Come See a Show at the Farm

Bobby Cadabra Magic Show Thursday, December 27 at 11am Live animals, magic tricks, and an interactive performance like you have never seen! \$5 per person Register online at bit.ly/2MrKdGo Magic Toyshop Puppet Show Thursday, January 3 at 10 or 11:30am Join Master Puppeteer Bob Brown and his merry marionettes in this holiday show. \$5 per person Register online at <u>bit.ly/2p4b2qU</u>

Both shows will be at the <u>Frying Pan Farm Park Visitor Center</u>, 2739 West Ox Road, Herndon. Call 703-437-9101 for information or to register.

### Golf, Fitness, & Fun Fridays

Improve your golf game with a Holiday Golf Clinic at the newly renovated indoor golf facility at Pinecrest Golf Course. Check out the new facility as you start the clinic with a TrackMan 4 golf simulator session. Follow up with a yoga and golf fitness session to help your posture and breathing to improve your game. After the clinic, enjoy light refreshments to round out the evening. Next Friday session will be **January 4**, 5:30-7:30pm. Cost is \$20 per person - <u>register online</u>. <u>Pinecrest Golf Course</u> is located at 6600 Little River Turnpike, Alexandria. Call 703-941-1061 for more information.

### Holiday Animal Winter Festival and Klondike Campfire

Don't hibernate just because winter is here! Learn how animals cope with the cold or prepare a winter meal by campfire in programs at <u>Riverbend Park</u> on Saturday, December 22. In the morning, join in the **Holiday Animal Winter Festi**val, where you will sip hot chocolate, learn about wintering animals, and make a holiday ornament. Program runs from 10am to noon and cost \$12 per person. In the afternoon, expand your cooking skills at the **Klondike Campfire Cookout**. Prepare a winter meal using colonial and indigenous cooking techniques around the campfire. Cookout runs from 3:30 to 5pm, and cost \$15 per person. Call 703-759-9018 for information and registration.

### Looking for MORE to do around the holidays?

The Park Authority's <u>Holiday Activity Search</u> has plenty of events and activities to choose from - for all ages, all over the Fairfax County and even beyond.

