

BBHCA eNews

January 2009

COMMUNITY MEETING

January 13, 2008 (Tuesday)

7:30 pm

Bush Hill Elementary School (Cafeteria)

AGENDA:

Minutes from November Meeting (Vote)

Board and Committee Reports

New Business

TOPIC:

**Personal Safety and
Neighborhood Foreclosures During an Economic Downturn**

GUEST SPEAKER:

Officer Alice Eggers, Franconia District Police Station

CAC and Lions Clubs Serve Christmas Meals to Officers of Franconia Police Station

Members of the Franconia Police Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) and several members of area Lions Clubs served Christmas Eve dinner and Christmas morning breakfast to the officers of the Franconia District Station. The Christmas meals are served each year since it is difficult for officers to get a good hot meal.

Several local restaurants (Bone Fish Grill, Noodles & Company, and Vocelli Pizza), the Greenspring Retirement Community, the Franconia-Springfield Mid-Day Lions Club, and approximately 20 individuals contributed a complete turkey and ham dinner along with a full complement of side dishes, desserts, drinks, and snacks. The left-over foods (which filled two refrigerators) and supplies were left for the officers to enjoy.

Frances Mohr, a member of CAC and a Lions Zone Chair, organized the event. Mohr also raised more than \$2,300 to cover costs. Upon approval by CAC, excess funds will be donated to purchase new First Aid Kits for all police cruisers at the station.

If you are interested in learning more about CAC, you are invited to attend any of their meetings which are open to all local residents. Past topics have included Police Coverage at Springfield Mall, Helicopter Patrol Unit, Personal Safety, and other topics related to the Fairfax County Police and local communities.

The next meeting of the Franconia Police Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) will be held on Wednesday, January 21, 2009 (the 3rd Wednesday of the month), at 7:30 pm in the Helen Wilson Community Room at the Franconia Government Center, 6121 Franconia Road.

Huntley Meadows Hosts Nature Photography Show

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/photoshow.htm>

See the winning entries of the Friends of Huntley Meadows Fifth Annual Nature Photography Contest. The photographs will remain on exhibit through February 28, 2009. This year's show gathered more entries than ever before, with 111 photographs, all taken at the park. Proceeds from the sale of photographs benefit the Friends of Huntley Meadows Park, a non-profit environmental organization that supports park activities.



TRASH

County Hosts Electronic Recycling Events

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/recycling/announce.htm#sundays>

Fairfax County will be hosting TV and computer recycling for residents at the I-66 Transfer Station during the winter months. This is the first time that we will collect electronics at the Transfer Station. The service is being provided due to the digital television switch that will

take place in February. This event is limited to the collection of televisions, computers and peripheral electronic devices, including keyboards, speakers, printers, external drives and other such materials. Equipment brought to these events do not need to be in working order.

Residents should *not* bring small or large kitchen appliances, CDs, DVDs, video cassettes or stereo equipment to these events.

The collection events will be held at the I-66 Transfer Station from 10 am to 3 pm on:

- Sunday, January 11
- Sunday, February 8
- Sunday, March 8

This service is for Fairfax County residents only. There will be *no charge* for this service.

The next TV and computer recycling event will be held on **March 28** at the South County Government Center from 9 am to 2 pm. This event will also include household and hazardous waste (HHW) collection and paper shredding (first paper shredding event in 2009).

Recyclables Now Being Picked Up by County

The Fairfax County contract with the recycling contractor that we have used for the last few years has expired and will not be renewed. County collection crews will now pick up both trash *and* recycling beginning Monday, December 29. To ensure collection, please make sure all materials are at the curb by 6 am on your collection day. (E-mail sent by fairfaxtrash@fairfaxcounty.gov)

County Selling Wheeled Recycling Bins

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/recycling/wheeled-bins.pdf>

Dimensions 26 x 19 x 19 with lid, wheels, and pull cord. Cost \$18 by credit card or check. To purchase, call 703-324-5230.

Yard Waste

Chapter 109.1 of the County Ordinance states that dark plastic bags may *not* be used for setting out yard waste. You may set out your grass clippings and/or leaves in *transparent plastic bags, reusable plastic or metal containers, or Kraft paper yard waste bags.*

The ban on using dark colored plastic bags for recyclables helps crews see the difference between your trash and your yard waste. For obvious safety reasons, collection crews do not open bags to determine the contents. So, if they cannot see that a bag contains yard waste, it might be put in the trash truck.

Not Collected Curbside

The following materials are not collected curbside: dirt, stones, stumps, rocks, bricks, unbagged animal waste, shingles, drywall, asbestos, floor tiles, concrete, glass windows, sliding glass doors and sheets of glass. These items can severely damage equipment. If your setout contains even a small amount of any of these materials, collection will not occur. These materials may be taken to the I-95 Landfill Complex in Lorton and disposed of for a fee.

>> Residential trash disposal fees, <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/trash/disresident.htm>

EVENTS

Presentation: Springfield Mall Expansion

Tuesday, January 27
7 pm, John Marshall Library

Representatives of Springfield Mall will preview their plans for major expansion at the Jan. 27 meeting of the Rose Hill Civic Association. Anyone in Brookland/Bush Hill who is interested will be welcome.

LINKS TO KEEP

Fairfax County Home Page NEW!

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/>

Check out the new look and content for the Fairfax County page.

Presidential Inauguration

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/inauguration>

The Fairfax County inauguration web page offers links to local, state and federal information about the inauguration and will be updated as information becomes available. CEAN will provide additional tips and information leading up to Inauguration Day.

Trash Collection E-Updates

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/trash/subscribe.htm>

Get up-to-date information about your trash and recycling collection service sent directly to your e-mail inbox. These Trash Collection E-Updates will keep you informed of service changes and/or reminders.

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