### **The Fairfax County**

# FEDERATION

of Citizens Associations

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## THE BULLETIN

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#### President's Message

This is our first "Special Extra" Bulletin in recent memory because we wanted to share some exciting news -- Governor Bob McDonnell will be speaking at our dinner! As a nonpartisan organization -- an important part of the Federation's bylaws and tradition -- we have been honored in the past to have distinguished guest speakers of both parties, including our present and former Congressmen, as well as others from other walks of life, but to host a seated governor is a very special occasion for all of us. (http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/ coy)

For many years Sally Ormsby organized the Citizen of the Year (COY) dinner, but now we are carrying on the tradition through John Jennison's work as Federation past president and now COY chair, and are so excited to share this breaking news that the Governor will participate in honoring our COY. Although given the focus of the evening, the truly big news is still to come.. the announcement of the actual honorees (see page two)!

This year's COY banquet will continue the fine nonpartisan tradition of the Federation through all its long history, which even extended to a convivial, well-received evening of informal banter between our past (Republican) and present (Democratic) Congressmen. And now yet another, especially distinguished speaker has been recruited -- the seated governor himself, Bob McDonnell. Recently featured on national TV following the State of the Union, now he's speaking to us about the nature and value of voluntarism. And speaking of the Federation's long traditions, another one is in the making this year, as a new sponsor, SAIC, is stepping up to partner with us also to honor the COY.

Come enjoy,

Jeffrey Parnes, President FedPres2009@FairfaxFederation.org March 2010

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# The Fairfax County Federation of Citizens' Associations with sponsor SAIC honor:

#### 2009 Fairfax County Citizen of the Year Meriwether Lewis Clark Tyler

Clark Tyler was selected as the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations 2009 Citizen of the Year by the selection committee comprised of representatives from several county-wide organizations.

Mr. Tyler was nominated for his leadership as chair of the Tysons Land Use Task Force from 2006 to 2010. The Task Force comprised of 36 members representing citizens, landowners, developers, environmentalists, and bicyclist and art community interests among other stakeholders. The Task Force held over 60 public meetings and Mr. Tyler attended numerous additional meetings throughout the county to engage citizens and discuss the future vision of Tysons created by the Task Force. Mr. Tyler was instrumental with his patience, humor and leadership skills to the development of extraordinary consensus among the members of the Task Force. A self-described citizen activist, Clark has been the president of his homeowners association for the past ten years. Mr. Tyler was nominated by one-third of the members of the Task Force.

#### Citation of Merit Honorees

2009 Citation of Merit: Harrison A. (Harry) Glasgow

Mr. Harry Glasgow was selected as a Federation 2009 Citation of Merit Awardee in recognition for his 15 years in cultivating increased public understanding and support for preservation and protection of the county's rich natural resources.

2009 Citation of Merit: James B. (Jim) Southworth

Mr. Jim Southworth was selected as a Federation 2009 Citation of Merit Awardee in recognition for his years of volunteerism and leadership with Fairfax Public Access.

#### 2009 Citation of Merit: Drew Tener

Mr. Drew Tener was selected as a Federation 2009 Citation of Merit Awardee in recognition for creation and leadership of the Easy Readers program for elementary school students.

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4022 Hummer Road Annandale, VA 22003

#### Membership Meeting

Thursday, March 25, 2010

7:30 p.m.

The Packard Center 4022 Hummer Road, Annandale (see directions, below)

Topic:

Budget Committee Review of the Fairfax County 2011 Budget

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#### **Directions to the**

#### **Packard Center**

Take I-495 (Capital Beltway) to Little River Turnpike (Route 236 - Exit 52B); go east toward Annandale.

Turn left at the first stop light onto Hummer Road.

Go 200 yards to the entrance of Annandale Community Park on the left.

Keep right to the large parking lot.

Please use the left entrance into the Packard Center Building; ring the doorbell for entrance.

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