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#### **Federation Membership Meeting**

Thursday, November 15, 2012 7:30 p.m.

#### **Hidden Oaks Nature Center**

7701 Royce Street, Annandale

Topic: Results of Countywide Dialog on Transportation
By Commissioner Jeff Parnes







#### **Federation Board Meeting & Annual Dinner**

December 6, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Marco Polo Restaurant
245 Maple Avenue, Vienna, VA
RSVP is requested by Dec. 1 to
fedpres2013@fairfaxfederation.org.
\$25 per person for Thursday night buffet
All are welcome to join the Federation Board for dinner.

#### **New at the Federation Website**

www.fairfaxfederation.org/

Legislation Committee: Federation's Approved

2013 Legislative Program

Public Safety: Roundup program.

#### **Telemarketing Alert!**

To stop telemarketers from contacting you, follow the directions on the County website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/consumer/education/telemarketing.htm

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#### President's Message

Greetings Friends and Neighbors:

Please join us at our excellent membership programming on the Fairfax County's 2012 Countywide Dialogue on Transportation on Thursday, November 15, 2012 to be held at the Hidden Oaks Nature Center – 7701 Royce Street, Annandale, VA 22003. During a month long community outreach via online survey and 9 public meetings, Fairfax County residents had the opportunity to engage in the countywide dialogue on the near future transportation funding shortfall. The survey results will be discussed by Commissioner Jeff Parnes, Chair of the Fairfax County's Transportation Advisory Commission.

On behalf of the Federation, I extend a heartfelt appreciation to Volunteer Fairfax, Northern Virginia Community College, and the Fairfax County Departments of Emergency Management and Neighborhood & Community Services for hosting the Fairfax County Roundup. The Federation was honored to be among the contributing organizations for this event. The event was incredibly timely in that during the Roundup, preparations were underway for responding for Hurricane Sandy's landfall. Roundup's recap is available at www.volunteerfairfax.org/individuals/roundup.php.

Winter is a very busy month for the Federation; as we get underway with the distribution of the Federation's 2013
Legislative Program, speaking at public hearings and interacting with our elected officials. The Program is posted online at www.fairfaxfederation.org/legislation1.htm. This will be quickly followed by the review of the School and County's proposed budgets as soon as they are released. We encourage members to renew their membership for this important budget review and recommendation writing and activity. Membership renewal information is conveniently located in this edition of the Bulletin as well as posted on our website at www.fairfaxfederation.org/membership1.htm.

You are cordially invited to the Federation's signature event - the Citizen of the Year Banquet on the evening of **Sunday**, **April 7**, **2013** at the Tysons Corner Crowne Plaza Hotel. Please start thinking about that distinguished and worthy member of your community for the 2012 nomination. The nominations will be accepted starting in December.

Happy Thanksgiving! Tania

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### Directions to the Hidden Oaks Nature Center

7701 Royce Street
Annandale, VA 22003
Located between Annandale Road and Little River

Turnpike and off of Hummer Road in Annandale

# Hidden Oaks Nature Center

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Please contact Fred Costello with newsletter name and email address changes, comments, or suggestions at <a href="mailto:FedBulletinEditor2013@fairfaxfederation.org">FedBulletinEditor2013@fairfaxfederation.org</a> or 703-620-4942.

#### **Federation Meeting Cancellation Policy**

If either Fairfax County Government or Schools are closed after 12:00 noon the day of a Federation membership meeting, or if it is announced that Fairfax County Government or Schools will be closed the day after a scheduled Federation membership meeting due to inclement weather or other emergency, the Federation will not hold that event. This does not pertain to regularly scheduled closures. Membership meetings will not be rescheduled, although speakers may be asked to attend an upcoming meeting. We will make every attempt to post the cancellation on www.fairfaxfederation.org or, for more information, you can call 703-620-4942.

FCFCA Calendar 2012-2013												
	Membership Meeting											
Date	Program	Location	Date	Location								
	2012											
Jul	no meeting	_	_	_								
Aug	no meeting	_	23-Aug	Braddock Hall								
20-Sep	Legislation	Kings Park Library Mtg Room	27-Sep	Braddock Hall								
18-Oct	Public Safety	Mason Governmental Center	25-Oct	Braddock Hall								
15-Nov	Transportation	Hidden Oaks Nature Center	_	_								
13-Dec	Environment	Hidden Oaks Nature Center	6-Dec	Marco Polo Res- taurant								
		2013										
17-Jan	School Budget (Kristen Michael)	FCPS Administrative Center	24-Jan	Braddock Hall								
21-Feb	Human Services	Mason Governmental Center	28-Feb	Braddock Hall								
21-Mar	County Budget	Mason Governmental Center	28-Mar	Braddock Hall								
7-Apr	Citizen of the Year Banquet	Crowne Plaza Tysons Corner Hotel	25-Apr	TBD								
18-Apr	Report from Richmond	Mason Governmental Center	25-Api	160								
16-May	Land Use including Tysons Corner Update, Election of Officers	Mason Governmental Center	23-May	Braddock Hall								
20-Jun	Picnic, Installation of Officers, State of Fair- fax	Annandale Community Park (tentative)	27-Jun	Braddock Hall								

- Braddock Hall is at 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke
- Mason Governmental Center is at 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003
- All meetings start at 7:30 pm, except the picnic, which starts at 6 p.m.

The Bulletin (our newsletter) is distributed one week before the Membership Meeting.

The deadline for submissions to The Bulletin is the first day of the month of the Membership Meeting.

#### Do you want to have an impact?

The Federation is as strong as its voice, and the Federation's many committees make up its collective voice. If you are interested in serving on any of the committees that make up the backbone of the Federation please contact the committee chairs, listed on Page 7, using the following email addresses:

Budget: Linda Boone & Rob Jackson ..... FedBudgetChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org Citizen Association Services: Don Hinman ..... FedAssociationServicesChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org FedEducationChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org Education: Leonard Bumbaca, Ed Saperstein & Tim Thompson ... FedEnvironmentChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org Environment: Flint Webb ..... Human Services: Cherie Tripp Leieune ..... FedHumanServicesChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org Land Use: Fred Costello ..... FedLandUseChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org Legislation: Frank Anderson & Jason Ha ..... FedLegislationChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org Membership: Tania Hossain.... FedMembershipChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org FedPublicSafetyChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org Public Safety: Melissa Smarr ..... FedResolutionsChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org Resolutions: Bill Hanks ..... Transportation: Joe Gibson & Jeff Parnes ..... FedTransportationChr2013@fairfaxfederation.org

The committees conduct the bulk of their business by email and formulate positions and suggest actions for consideration by the Board and by the Federation members. They also provide inputs to the Federation's legislation and budget presentations. Here's a chance to make a mark in an area of your interest. Join us in making our County a better place to live!

#### **Membership Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, October 18, 2012

Draft to be submitted for approval on 11/15/2012

President Tania Hossain called the formal meeting to order at 7:48 p.m.

#### **Program**

The Federation membership approved the 2013 Federation's Legislative Program.

#### **Administrative Topics**

Federation appointment to the Criminal Justice Advisory Board is open. Newsletter articles are due by November 1, 2012. Minutes of the September 2012 membership meeting were approved.

#### **New and Old Business**

Linda Boone provided Fairfax County Roundup flyer and encouraged community participation.

#### **Board & Committee Reports**

#### **Budget Committee:**

Rob Jackson reported on the BOS adoption of the Tysons Funding Plan and would provide a written report for the November edition of the Bulletin.

Citizens Association Services: No report

#### **Education:**

Charlie Dane reported that 5 members of the Education Committee would be attending the 2012 Fairfax Education Summit: Keys to Student Success—What Parents, Educators, and Leaders Need to Know.

#### **Environment:**

Flint Webb re-circulated the same report that he submitted to the Federation Board in October and available in the Board's October minutes.

Human Services: No report

Land Use: No report

**Legislation:** No further report from the evening's business.

#### Membership:

Tania Hossain reported that Sunset Manor, Lafayette Village and Groveton Civic Associations renewed membership for 2012 -2013.

Public Safety: No report

Resolution: No report

**Transportation:** Joe Gibson led a discussion transportation funding, acknowledged the tremendous contribution of the McLean Citizens Association (MCA), especially Rob Jackson, past President of the MCA, on their tireless work on the resolution of the Tysons Transportation Funding formula. The membership spent a considerable about of time on transportation discussions ranging from residential parking to funding.

**Website:** Tania Hossain reported that we are still looking for a website/online communication intern.

#### **District Council Reports**

Charlie Dane reported that the Braddock District meeting will host Michelle Thompson on a discussion of the Community Ombudsman regulation and the taste of Braddock will be held on December 5 at Braddock Hall in Kings Park Library.

Lee: No report

**Mason:** Roger Hoskins reported that Mason District will host a community meeting with Supervisor Penny Gross to discuss the Mason District community survey. Marco Johnson reported the successful two-year endeavor of Sunset Manor community to restrict residential parking to the community that lives there.

Mt. Vernon: No report

**Providence:** Flint Webb reported that on October 10th, the Providence District Council hosted the Fairfax Transportation Advisory Commission's discussion about County road funding options at Thoreau Middle School. In addition to presenting funding issues, we were briefed about what the funding plans are for transportation improvements for Tyson's Corner. For further information see: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/cdot/. Upcoming meetings:

November 1, 7 pm – The subject is the Oak Street Corridor concerns. The meeting will be at Korean US Science Cooper tion Organization, 1952 Gallows Road, 3rd Floor Conference room. For more information see providencedistrictcouncil.org.

Sully: No report

**Springfield:** The Springfield District Council, Supervisor Herrity, VDOT and FCDOT will host a town hall meeting on the future of the Fairfax County Parkway on October 23, 7 p.m., Robinson Secondary School.

#### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm

#### **Next Meetings**

The next board meeting is Thursday, October 25, 2012, 7:30 p.m., at Braddock Hall, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke. November/December Annual Board Dinner is at the Marco Polo Restaurant on Thursday, December 6, 2012 starting at 6pm. The next membership meeting will be November 15, 2012, at the Hidden Oaks Nature Center.

Minutes written by Tania Hossain, President

#### Tysons Redevelopment

# **Supervisors OK Transportation Plan Funding for Tysons – Major Victory for County Residents**By Rob Jackson

On October 16, 2012, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors approved a funding plan for the \$2.3 billion in transportation improvements required over the next 40 years to support an urban Tysons. The Comprehensive Plan amendment adopted by the County in 2010 set forth, in great detail, specific road and bus transit projects that will be needed, in addition to the Silver Line and the I -495 Express Lanes, for Tysons to become Fairfax County's downtown.

Additionally, in 2010, the supervisors charged the Planning Commission to develop a plan to fund these projects. Last month, after many open meetings and much study, the Commission recommended a detailed funding plan to the supervisors. This funding plan was approved on a 7-2 vote of the supervisors, with Gerry Hyland absent. It splits the costs into several categories of responsibility. The landowners and developers will pay 59.5% of the costs over 40 years, with 22.8% of the costs funded by a combination of federal, state and commercial property sources. Fairfax County residents and businesses will pay the remaining 17.7% of the costs.

The original staff proposal would have split the costs between landowners and developers (42%) and public sources, including county residents (58%). The McLean Citizens Association (MCA) quickly countered with a plan, which was based on the Route 28 Corridor improvement district. The MCA proposed to follow the Route 28 precedent in order to limit the county taxpayers' share to no more than 25% of the costs. Despite strong opposition from many sources, the MCA, aided by other community groups, including the Reston Citizens Association, was resolute in its advocacy for the residents and small businesses in Fairfax County. These efforts eventually won the day.

The final result is a major victory for county residents, as the final plan essentially reversed the original funding responsibilities. As noted above, the County will use General Fund revenues and General Obligation bonds to fund no more than 17.7% of the total costs. The supervisors also struck a provision that would have made the County liable for any expected state or federal money that doesn't materialize. Citizen advocacy, coupled with sound analysis, can make a difference in government decisions.

#### **Federation Supports County Roundup**

By Linda Boone

The Federation was a contributing organization supporting the Fairfax County Roundup – A Whole Community Collaboration for Disaster Resiliency -- held on Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at the Ernst Community Center, Northern Virginia Community College – Annandale. The Roundup's purpose was to bring various community, faith, and non-profit organizations and businesses together to discuss the community's role before, during and after disasters. It was incredibly timely that during the Roundup preparations were underway for responding to one of the largest hurricanes to make landfall in this area—Hurricane Sandy.

The pending hurricane lent a sense of urgency to the work that over 100 various community, interfaith and government agencies did as they worked through scenarios to identify ways to maximize use of these organizations and their services during various types of emergencies. The keynote speaker, Mr. James Lee Witt, former FEMA Director, highlighted the need for volunteer organizations to become more involved in communities because there may be reduced funding and response from government entities in the future.

Neighbors must help neighbors was a continual theme of the presentations that discussed how government and non-profits must collaborate closely in the future. Faith communities will be called upon in crises to offer shelter, food, and check-ins for homebound people. Technology will allow us to better communicate during crises provided there is power to support the internet, cell phones, and other social media. One of the most interesting suggestions was the need to resurrect "old-school" methods for checking on neighbors such as having street captains whose role in an emergency is to contact neighbors on their street to see if additional help is needed.

The recent derecho storm and Hurricane Sandy highlighted the need for communities to have formal and informal ways of communicating information within their communities and to be aware of/care for community members who may need special assistance during emergencies. More public/private partnerships will be the modus operandi for dealing with future emergencies where identification and triage will be the responsibilities of the neighborhoods/non-profits and the government may only coordinate the provision of services as needed.

The Roundup was a clear call to everyone who is interested in having a better community to volunteer and get involved with learning about the neighborhood, the neighbors, nearby services and how to access available government services. For more information about the Roundup go to www.volunteerfairfax.org/individuals/roundup.php.

#### The FCPS Advanced Academic Programs

Submitted by LaTisha Elcock

Federation's representative on the Fairfax County School Board's Advanced Academic Programs Advisory Committee

The Advanced Academic Programs Advisory Committee (AAPAC) advises the FCPS School Board on the needs of advanced learners and the programs that have been created to meet those needs. Membership includes citizen, teacher, and principal representatives, a student representative, and the Coordinator of Advanced Academic Programs. In response to the discussion raised by the Advisory Committee on Special Education in its 2011 annual report, the AAPAC charge from the School Board for the 2011-2012 school year focused on a review and evaluation of how FCPS is meeting the needs of twice exceptional (2E) students (K-12) in advanced academic classes with a goal of providing recommendations for areas of improvement. Twice exceptional learners are students who have the ability to think, reason and problem-solve at very high levels but also have special education needs.

In response to the School Board's charge, the committee developed its recommendations based upon two areas of activities:

- · Best practices for instruction and accommodations for the twice exceptional student, and
- · Parent education and advocacy.

To effectively respond to the School Board's charge, the committee met with academic experts, parents and students throughout the year to gain a better understanding of what is currently being done in Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) to support the needs of twice exceptional learners. Panel discussions were followed by discussions within the committee to identify areas of strength and to develop recommendations where FCPS could strengthen its efforts.

Our work included hosting a series of expert panels and guest speakers to determine best practices for administration, teaching, and parent education and advocacy. It has been a very informative year and a good opportunity to better understand the many efforts FCPS has undertaken to meet the diverse needs of twice exceptional learners. Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Peter Noonan, Coordinator of Advanced Academic Programs, Dr. Carol Horn, and her staff have done an excellent job of providing requested and timely information as needed. We also appreciate the support of School Board Member Ilryong Moon who has participated in our meetings throughout the year.

#### What is Twice Exceptional?

The committee started exploring how FCPS responds to its twice exceptional students by receiving a detailed briefing on how the school system defines twice exceptional. A twice exceptional student in FCPS is defined as "a student in grades K through 12 who demonstrates high performance ability or academic potential and who has a cognitive, physical, behavioral, or emotional disability that requires accommodations in order for their potential to be realized." Those students can be broadly divided into four categories:

- 1. Identified as Gifted but not identified as needing Special Education. In these instances the student's intellectual gifts may mask learning disabilities.
- 2. Identified as needing Special Education but not identified as Gifted. The student's learning disabilities may mask his/her giftedness.
- 3. Identified as both Gifted and in need of Special Education services. Each of these students has an IEP and is receiving gifted services.
- 4. Not identified as Gifted or in need of Special Education. These students typically are performing close to grade level and thus are not identified. Often their gifts mask learning disabilities. The students are not performing at potential.

Based on these categories, it is very difficult to accurately quantify the number of students that are twice exceptional. This is because the students have been categorized as in need of special education services but not gifted, identified for gifted services and not special education or have not been identified as either gifted or in need of special education because their gifts mask their learning disabilities.

For example, there are students that have ADHD and have 504 plan accommodations for their ADHD that have not been identified as needing special education services. Just because someone has an ADHD diagnosis does not mean that they have been identified as needing Special Education services and qualified for an Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

Twice exceptional students cannot be characterized by a common list of traits, as the manifestation of twice exceptional varies from student to student. Parents and teachers often struggle to understand why the student is not performing academically at the level of their potential. Although recognizing that the quantification of students is difficult, FCPS staff estimate that 5% of the students identified for level II, III and IV services in grades K-8 have an IEP. Numbers are not available for high school students. Often students are able to more easily mask their learning challenges in the earlier years. As the learning environment becomes more complex and requires higher level organizational skills the challenges become more apparent.

#### Recommendations

The committee members recognized that FCPS has been proactive in addressing the needs of twice exceptional students. Consistent implementation and communication is an on-going challenge in a district the size of FCPS. The success of the twice exceptional student in the FCPS Advanced Academics environment is often dependent on the culture of the school in which the student is attending, individual relationships the student has with the teachers and administrators, and the awareness of the student and their family on what is available in the county.

Our recommendations fall into two categories identified at the beginning of our work:

- · Best Practices for Instruction and Accommodations for the 2e student; and
- Parent education and advocacy.

#### Best Practices for Instruction and Accommodations for the 2e Student

The committee prepared five recommendations:

- 1. Develop programs to assist twice exceptional students in developing executive function and self-advocacy skills beginning in the elementary grades.
- 2. Continue to expand the use of advanced academic strategies and resources in the general education classroom.
- 3. Expand Responsive Instruction practices to ensure that the needs of students who may be twice exceptional are met.
- 4. Enable students, family members and educators to meet on an annual basis (K-12) to determine which accommodations were most successful.
- 5. Encourage high school counselors, advisors and mentors to meet with twice exceptional students in order to help them prepare for their post high school academic experience.

The first recommendation is to develop programs to assist twice exceptional students in developing executive function and self-advocacy skills beginning in the elementary grades. These skills are particularly important for students to excel in the secondary advanced academics classes to include honors, IB and AP. Throughout our discussion, it was clear that students need to know what to ask for in terms of accommodations and how to go about asking. There is a recognition that training on self-advocacy should begin in elementary school through the collaborative efforts of classroom teachers, special education teachers and school counselors. Because there are a number of twice exceptional students that will not be identified easily, it is essential to extend this training to all students to create a better self-awareness of their learning styles and how to self-advocate.

In terms of continuing to expand the use of advanced academic strategies and resources in general education classrooms, the committee was interested in the efforts of the McLean Pyramid to expand use of Advanced Academic teaching strategies and resources. But, the committee emphasized the need to ensure that FCPS continues to have four levels of curriculum instruction so that all students can learn at an appropriate pace.

Responsive Instruction should be expanded to ensure that the needs of students who may be twice exceptional are met. Fairfax County has adopted Responsive Instruction to meet the needs of diverse students. This model requires an ongoing assessment of those accommodations and interventions necessary for an individual student's success.

Students, family members and educators should meet on an annual basis to determine which accommodations were most successful for the student. This information should be shared with subsequent teachers. This is especially important in transition years, e.g. between elementary and middle, middle and high and in transition to the post high school learning environment.

#### **Parent Education and Advocacy**

During the course of our discussions it became evident that the services available to students and parents of twice exceptional students were not widely understood in the community. The committee recommends three actions in the area of parent education and advocacy.

Specific recommendations are:

- 1. Develop additional web resources to be prominently posted on the AAP web page in order to provide parents a better understanding of what it means to be twice exceptional and the resources available to them.
- 2. Expand outreach by school staff to parents of students who may be twice exceptional (especially those that may be from underrepresented populations and/or qualify for free and reduced meals) to educate them on the services available to their students. [This could include expanding the FAQ's regarding twice exceptional learners to include colleges and universities that offer support to twice exceptional learners, and books—and articles that would support twice exceptional students and their parents.]
- 3. Through the collaborative efforts of AAP and Special Services, convene an ad-hoc staff, student, and parent focus group on communications to determine what resources would be most useful to the constituents, especially to explain such things as "What is twice exceptional?" and "What is Level IV versus Local Level IV "?

#### 2012-2013 Federation Members

The Federation is honored to be joined by associations throughout Fairfax County. We will continue to add our members to this list as associations join. The Federation welcomes all citizens associations in Fairfax County to join in membership in our collective effort to be an effective voice on behalf of residents to local, state, and federal officials. Our membership application is located online at <a href="https://www.fairfaxfederation.org/membership1.htm">www.fairfaxfederation.org/membership1.htm</a> for your convenience. Thank you for your consideration.

**Barcroft Square HOA** Civic Association of West Springfield Village **Colvin Glen Citizens Association County Club View Civic Association Groveton Civic Association** Hillbrook Tall Oaks Civic Association **Innisfree Community Association Jefferson Manor Citizens Association Lafayette Community Association Mantua Citizens Association McLean Citizens Association** Middle Run Estates HOA Middleridge Community Association **Montebello Condominium Unit Owners North Springfield Civic Association Oakwood Estates at Manderley Pimmit Hills Citizens Association** Ravenwood Park Citizens Association **Reston Citizens Association** Stone Haven Civic Association Stratford on the Potomac **Sunset Manor Civic Association Tysons Manor HOA** Walnut Hill HOA **Waynewood Citizens Association** 

#### Community Immunity: Flu Season is Here!

An annual flu vaccine is the best way to prevent the flu. Influenza is a serious disease that can lead to hospitalization and sometimes even death. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends everyone 6 months and older receive an annual flu vaccine as soon as vaccine becomes available in the fall.

Information about the flu season is available on the community immunity website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/flu.

The website also has a Flu Vaccine Finder to locate a provider near you. Flu vaccine is available through all of the traditional flu vaccine providers such as your doctor or health care provider, local pharmacies, grocery stores and Fairfax County Health Department clinics.

#### **Homeowner Rain Garden Workshop**

#### Saturday, November 17th, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM Fairlington Community Center 3308 S. Stafford St. Arlington

Learn how to properly locate, design, construct and maintain a small-scale rain garden— a landscaped area that is designed to capture rain water and allow it to soak into the ground. Rain gardens allow polluted runoff from roads and buildings to infiltrate into the ground, slowing its flow and preventing pollutants from reaching local streams and the Potomac River, a drinking water supply for the region. Call 703-228-3610 or email <a href="mailto:awin-quist@arlingtonva.us">awin-quist@arlingtonva.us</a> to register.

This workshop is co-sponsored by the Northern Virginia Regional Commission, Arlington County, and the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District, with funding provided by the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program and NOAA.

#### Stormwater Flooding

A new technical bulletin titled Use of Existing Flood Hazard Data to Delineate Floodplain Boundaries on Plans: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/publicationslti/

12\_03\_floodplain\_boundaries.pdf has been issued by the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services. Existing flood hazard data may be used -- and in some instances must be used -- to delineate floodplain boundaries on Site Plans, Public Improvement Plans, Subdivision Plans, Infill Grading Plans, Rough Grading Plans and Resource Protection Area (RPA) Delineation Plans, if the flood elevations are still valid. The department has prepared guidelines, included in the bulletin, to clarify use of this information consistent with Federal, State, and County requirements.

Annual flooding of homes occurs in Annandale Acres (Mason District). The flooding seems to be caused by runoff from more recent development. Runoff is also an issue in the Eleven Oaks re-zoning from R-1 to PDH-8 (Braddock District).

Over the next few years, County residents will be seeing the stormwater part of their property tax increase from the current 1.5 cents/per \$100 of assessment to approximately 7.0 cents.

#### Flood Insurance for Homeowners

In the aftermath of the derecho and Hurricane Sandy, many Fairfax County residents may still be looking for assistance with flooding. Homeowners should be aware that there is a 30-day waiting period on new flood policies.

The online FEMA resource has more information for your convenience. www.floodsmart.gov/floodsmart.

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