

**Save the date – Friday evening, May 4, 2018**

Our Annual Civic Federation Banquet

Holiday Inn, Rosslyn

**Arlington's Growth Express - Still on track...or off the rails?**

A discussion on Arlington's challenge as it transitions from a suburban environment towards a mixed urban-suburban community trying to accommodate an additional 63,000 people by 2040 when the estimated population is projected to be 283,000.

We are privileged to announce that our speakers for the evening will be:

**Alan Ehrenhalt** – Former Executive Editor, *Governing* Magazine, premier publication for State and Local Officials. Nationally recognized journalist on state and local government issues who brings a broad perspective of changes and challenges that American cities and towns are experiencing on how to accommodate growth. He has been a frequent contributor to *The New York Times* Book Review and op-ed page, the Washington Post Book World, *New Republic* and *The Wall Street Journal*. He is the author of four books: *The United States of Ambition*, *The Lost City*, *Democracy in the Mirror*, and *The Great Inversion*. Alan has an undergraduate degree from Brandeis University and holds an MS in journalism from Columbia. He is a long-time Arlingtonian resident living in Lyon Village.

Alan will talk about the challenges communities face as an inner suburb to a major city providing perspective of what he has seen in other jurisdictions given his over 30 years of experience observing local jurisdictions nationwide.

**Peter Rousselot** - He currently writes a weekly opinion column, "Peter's Take", for the Arlington news blog, ARLnow.com where several of his columns have addressed the challenges Arlington faces concerning its growth. Peter has been active in Arlington civic life since he and his family moved to Arlington in 1997. Among other positions, he has served as Chair of the Fiscal Affairs Advisory Commission, Co-Chair of the Advisory Council on Instruction, Chair of the Arlington County Democratic Committee, and member of the Central Committee of the Democratic Party of Virginia. For 28 years prior to his retirement, Peter was associated with the Washington, DC law firm now known as Hogan Lovells, where he specialized in railroad mergers, acquisitions, and valuations, was an equity partner, and a member of the firm's Executive Committee. Peter has an undergraduate degree from Yale, and a JD degree from Harvard.

Peter will follow Alan offering observations concerning specific challenges facing Arlington County based on his experience observing the Arlington scene.

These presentations are the entrée to a lively, thought-provoking conversation during our Q&A segment concerning Arlington's planned growth – is it on track or off the rails?