



Judah Dal Cais with James Lantelme, Chair, Arlington County Civic Federation Executive Committee

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Judah is completing eight years as President of the Bluemont Civic Association. He has also been a delegate from Bluemont to the Arlington County Civic Federation for most of that time. He began his civic involvement over a decade ago when he sought to get curbs and gutters for his block through the Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Commission and has since devoted much effort to improving his neighborhood and this community.

During his tenure, Judah reinvigorated Bluemont's role in the Federation and in a wide range of County government activities involving the Association. He increased the Association newsletter space devoted to Federation activities and the time at Association meetings devoted to Federation news. He chaperoned adding new Neighborhood Conservation projects and the full update of the Plan now nearing completion. He oversaw many planning and zoning activities along the Association's eastern borders as well as the Reevesland Farm along the western borders.

In particular, he worked on the Peck-Staples site plan, a multiyear effort; the third major building is now nearing completion. The second building is the Jordan – the largest new affordable housing project constructed in Arlington. The whole site plan blended the Ballston Sector Plan's goals with an updating of a twenty year old West Ballston planning process including setting important precedents for "edge development" in the County. Judah oversaw implementation of a major arterial traffic management set of improvements on Wilson Boulevard in the heart of the Association's boundaries. He began the process for planning for the redevelopment of the Association's business core.

Judah has also been involved in a number of local charitable events and has convinced his wife to edit the Association's newsletter this past year.