

ACCF General Meeting Notice

PLEASE NOTE EARLY START TIME

Tuesday, September 4, 2007, 7:00 PM

Hazel Conference Center

Virginia Hospital Center – Arlington

1701 North George Mason Drive

1. **7:00pm** - Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence for 9/11 (formal start of meeting)
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes (June 5, 2007)
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Introduction and Reading of the Rules for Candidates Night
6. **7:20 – 7:29pm** – Senate of Virginia, Uncontested District 30
 - Patricia S. "Patsy" Ticer (D)
7. **7:30 – 7:44pm** – Senate of Virginia, District 31
 - Mary Margaret Whipple (D) and Samuel D. Burley (IG)
8. **7:45 – 7:59pm** – Virginia House of Delegates, District 45
 - David L. Englin (D) and Mark S. Allen (R)
9. **8:00 – 8:14pm** – Virginia House of Delegates, District 49
 - Adam P. Ebbin (D) and James Ronald Fisher (IG)
10. **8:15 – 8:19pm** – Virginia House of Delegates, Uncontested Districts 47 and 48
 - Albert C. Eisenberg (D – 47th) and Robert H. Brink (D – 48th)
11. **8:20 – 8:54pm** – Arlington County Board (2 seats)
 - Mary H. Hynes (D), J Walter Tejada (D), Michael T. McMenamin (R), Joseph J. Warren (R) and, Joshua F. Ruebner (G)
12. **8:55 – 9:09pm** – Arlington County Clerk of the Circuit Court
 - Paul F. Ferguson (D) and Mark D. Kelly (R)

13. **9:10 – 9:24pm** – Arlington County Sheriff
 - Elizabeth A. "Beth" Arthur (D) and Steven S. Strasburg (I)
14. **9:25 – 9:35pm** – Commissioner of Revenue, Treasurer, and Arlington School Board (Uncontested)
 - Ingrid H. Morroy (D), Francis X. O'Leary (D) and, Abby J. Raphael (D)
15. **9:40pm** – Adjournment

Candidates Night Rules & Format

Due to the limited space in our current newsletter format, the Candidates Night Rules and Format are not included verbatim in this newsletter issue. There will be nine panels as specified on the agenda for the meeting. When called, each panel of candidates will take its place at the front table in the auditorium. The full set of rules will be available at the meeting (on the reverse side of the agenda). The rules are also available prior to the meeting on the ACCF website. Finally, the rules will be read as indicated during item 5 of the agenda.

Items Deserving your Attention

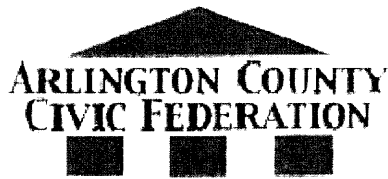
Some items of interest from the County (in date order):

Foster Parents needed - Orientation Session on Saturday, September 8, 2007 from 10am-Noon at the Department of Human Services Building. At these sessions, participants are told what foster care is, how one becomes a certified foster parent, how to help a child in need and, how Arlington County supports foster parents. The session concludes with a question and answer period.

Public Health Community Forum - Pandemic Influenza Preparedness - Thursday, September 13, 2007, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.; 2100 Clarendon Blvd., 3rd Floor

New CERT classes begin on Thursday, September 20 and Tuesday, September 25. To enroll -- contact the program coordinator at ArlingtonCERT@aol.com.

Senior Information Fair - October 27, 2007, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; Langston-Brown Multipurpose Center, 2121 N. Culpeper Street



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October Meeting: Tuesday, October 2, 2007

The Major Topic: Code Enforcement (*Tentative*)

September News deadline: September 13, 2007

Tidbits

New activities or actions, considered or approved, by the Executive Committee since the June meeting are itemized. Unless specifically noted, material has been posted to our Web site. Please refer to that resource for further details where noted:

1. **Appointments** – Michael Kerley – Public Service Chair; Nancy Kilpatrick – Cultural Affairs Chair.
2. **Excom with Committee Chairs** – The Executive Committee met with Committee chairs at the July Excom meeting. Among the items discussed were the August program, Committee Chair concerns, general guidelines for Committee Chairs and guidelines for Federation representatives to outside organizations.
3. **Special Summer Program – Beach Night** – Those not there missed an interesting meeting at our special August “Beach Night in Arlington”. In open forum, we discussed areas in which we could improve. Some suggestions were:
 - Outreach – both ACCF and member organizations – how can we be more inclusive? How can we broaden Delegate and Alternate composition reflective of Arlington population?
 - Effectiveness – How can the ACCF be more effective in its role in the County?
 - Meeting Locations – Should we meet at locales other than the Virginia Hospital Center?

- Change of start times and meeting length– Start at 7 PM and end earlier.
- Procedures – limit “same night” resolution introductions and voting upon them.
- Increase attendance – Use a “buddy system” or other mechanisms. Make meetings more “interesting”.

In you were not there, you missed a chance to speak up and we missed you. Please call, email or write to Larry Mayer if you wish to make any suggestions. As you know, speaking up is part of the Federation *modus operandi*!

Join a Committee & Help Wanted!

Did you know that the Civic Federation is primarily active through its various committees? Please consider becoming active by joining a Committee or two. Consider “reactivating” your participation if you have let your activity lapse.

Finally, did you know that any member of a Civic Federation member organization can participate in ACCF committees? As part of the Federation outreach effort, I encourage you to solicit participation from member organization people who are not Delegates or Alternates. Encourage your association’s or other organization’s membership to broaden its horizons and participate in Civic Federation committees!

We also need a new By-laws Committee Chair. Would you volunteer yourself? (*See Web site for Contact Information*).

Be Prepared for Emergencies

- September is Preparedness month
- Have a Family Communication Plan
- Prepare a Family Emergency Kit
- Review County Web Site Materials
(**Look at: www.co.arlington.va.us**)