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Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 3, 1995, 7:45 p.m.

**Place: John T. Hazel Conference Center, Arlington Hospital
(1701 N. George Mason Dr.)**

**Program: Arlington County Budget Process and Guidelines
Human Services Commission Report**

Providing Input on Budget Process. . .

At our October 3 meeting, Ed McWethy, Chairman of ACCF's Revenue and Expenditures Committee, will present for delegates' consideration his Committee's recommendations on how the Proposed FY97 County Budget should be drafted.

Because the process of drafting, submission, review and adoption of the County Budget is complex and, at times, fast-moving, the Committee believes that the best chance to influence the process and outcome is to provide the Civic Federation's position to the County Manager and Board as soon as possible.

The Committee's Resolution contains recommendations on Budget policy, guidelines and presentation. After the Committee's report and time for questions from the floor, the Resolution will be presented for debate, any amendments, and adoption. *(Anticipated total time allowance for this segment of the program: 1 hour.)*

. . .and on Human Services Report

Also at the October meeting, delegates will hear from Evelyn Staples, Chairman of the Public Services Committee, who will present for consideration by the Federation her Committee's Resolution on the recently completed Report of the Arlington County Human Services Commission.

The Report is the culmination of a two-year review of the system of human services delivery in the County and includes recommendations for restructuring for increased "coordination, integration, focus and efficiency."

Copies of the Commission's Report are available at the Central Library, or delegates may contact DHS (358-5300) for information about obtaining a copy. *(Anticipated total time allowance for this segment of the program: 45 minutes.)*

Note: Copies of both Committees' Resolutions will be available in the lobby of the Conference Center at 7:00 on the night of ACCF's meeting in order to provide delegates an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the recommendations before discussion periods.

Two Groups Apply for Membership

Because of time constraints at the September meeting, action on membership applications by the **Arlington-East Falls Church Civic Association** and **Marymount University** was deferred and will be considered at the October meeting.

The Membership Committee, chaired by Frances Finta, is recommending acceptance of both applications.

Officers of the Federation

President - Scott McGeary
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Executive Committee

Frances Finta, Chairman
Timothy Wise, Vice Chairman
Rohan Samaraweera, Sue Zajac,
Larry Zaragoza

Candidates Night Held

The Federation's September 5 meeting featured lively exchanges between candidates for local and state offices. A standing-room-only audience heard from candidates for: **County Board**-- Albert C. Eisenberg, Paul F. Ferguson, Henriette V. Warfield, and Benjamin H. Winslow, Jr.; **School Board** -- Gary M. Baker, Darlene M. Mickey, and Ricardo A. "Ric" Roca; **Commissioner of Revenue**-- Geraldine M. "Gerri" Whiting and J.R. "Jim" Lathrop; **State Senate (30th Dist.)**-- Robert L. Calhoun and Patsy Ticer; **(31st Dist.)**-- David Oblon and Mary Margaret Whipple; **(32nd Dist.)**-- Janet D. Howell and Robert M. McDowell; **State Delegate (48th Dist.)**--Julia A. Connally and Jeffrey S. Fitzpatrick; and **(49th Dist.)**--L. Karen Darner and Jerry Gideon.

This annual Federation event, the traditional launch of the County's election season, received wide coverage by the local press. **Cable Channel 33** videotaped the event and scheduled five telecasts during September. You may still have time to catch the fifth and final viewing on **Friday, Sept. 29, at 8:30 p.m.**

Should There Be a Law?

At our November 14 meeting, ACCF's Legislative Committee will present its proposed Legislative Package for consideration by delegates. Traditionally, state issues make up the majority of the ACCF legislative proposals, but a few federal and local issues are often included.

The Committee welcomes input -- suggestions *and* participation -- in this important Federation activity. Please call Chairman Amy Appelbaum (241-8446) or contact her during the October meeting.

They Also Serve . . .

The Federation thanks the following delegates who represent us in outside organizations: **David Foster**, Arl. Co. Council of PTAs; **William Nolden** and **Mary Cottrell**, Arl. Co. Public Schools Advisory Committee on Instruction; **Frances Finta** and **Talmadge Williams**, Arl. Scholarship Fund for Teachers, Inc.; **Scott Allard**, Black Heritage Museum; **Rosemary Demoney**, Arl. Co. Visitors Commission; **Sue Zajac**, United Way; **Scott McGeary**, Co. Bd. Chairman's Council; **Sherwin Landfield**, Citizens for the Abatement of Aircraft Noise; and **Larry Zaragoza**, Air Quality Public Advisory Committee.

~ The Way We Were ~

(During this gala 80th Anniversary year of the Federation, we'll be looking back through our archives now and then to demonstrate that "the past is prologue.")

From Executive Committee Minutes, Jan. 1929:

... "Mr. Varney moved [that the Federation recommend] that it would be unwise for the Board of Supervisors to permit the location of any manufacturing plant or major industry in Arlington County until such time as the Zoning Commission shall have zoned the County in accordance with the act of the General Assembly."

... "Mr. Mann offered a resolution recommending that the County Jail be repaired and made sanitary."

... "Mr. McNemar moved [to offer a resolution to the Federation for adoption] that necessary appropriations be made by Congress for the purpose of policing military highways in Arlington County leading to Ft. Myer Heights and to the National Cemetery..."

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