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OPINIONS & VIEWS**The Federation Corner**

Prince George's Civic Federation Gets Active: Largo Meeting to Discuss ICC Implications

Here is hoping that this newsletter finds its readers in great health and wonderful spirits. Our meeting this month is a carryover from a presentation we received at our February meeting. At that time, Mr. Sam Raker was kind enough to step in at the last minute to give us an abbreviated presentation on the InterCounty Connector (ICC). Though Prince George's County has not been over-active in the debate, Montgomery County has a long and colorful history on the topic.

At our May 6 meeting, which will take place at Largo High School starting at 7 p.m. (see detailed direction, below), we will have the pleasure of sharing in the experiences of those familiar with the history of the ICC.

One of our guest speakers will be Mr. Rich Parsons, a proponent of the ICC plan.

Mr. Parsons served on one of the committees that studied the feasibility of the ICC. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

Representing the other side of the issue will be the duo of Mr. Daniel Wallace and Mr. Brian Henry. We will give each set of presenters 30 minutes to familiarize us with the facts as they see them. Mr. Wallace has asked to go second. Following the presentations, we will have a question and answer session including both sets of presenters.

Other business will include nominations and voting for the PGCCF 2004 Federation Cup. If you have a nominee, please be prepared to inform the assembly why this person should be awarded the trophy. We are also still looking for nominees for the President's Award.

At our March meeting, we had an 'unofficial' guest who was kind enough to take questions. That guest was Mr. Thomas Graham, PEPCO Regional Vice President for Maryland. Subsequent to that meeting, Mr. Graham

extended an invitation to our President to sit on the PEPCO Citizen's Advisory Group.

The next meeting will take place Thursday morning (May 6) at 8:00 a.m. The first two issues we will be addressing are PEPCO power outage restoration priorities (what should they be) and dry ice distribution (should they continue doing it and can they do it better?).

Any input you wish to contribute will help us help PEPCO provide better service for all of us. Please feel free to contact the President at 301-372-8862 (h), 301-

908-9622 (cell), or write to JEBRICE@OPM.GOV, or JEBRICE@AOL.COM. See you Thursday.

The May 2004 Prince Georges County Civic Federation meeting will be held at Largo High School on May 6.

Directions for the May 6 Prince George's County Civic Federation meeting at Largo High School follow below.

The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will take place in the multi-media room (or, for those who went to the school a few years ago, in the



library).

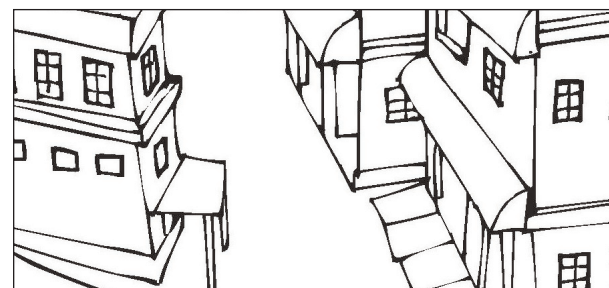
For the easiest access to the multi-media room, park in the side parking lot near the second or third door from the front of the building.

Largo High School is located on route 202 next to Prince George's Community College. The closest Beltway Exit is Central Avenue. From that exit, take the Largo/Upper Marlboro exit to Route 202. On Rte. 202, go to the second light, and turn right into the second driveway.

*Joe E. Brice, President
Carmen Anderson, 1st Vice President
Aurelio "Jay" Nepa, 2nd Vice President*

Montgomery Civic Federation News County's Monthly Community Hero Award Coming Up

Upcoming monthly Civic Federation meeting: Monday, May 10, 7:45 p.m. in the County Council Building (across from the Rockville Library), 1st Floor Auditorium. The program includes the Civic Federation "Community Hero of the Month." The Montgomery County Civic Federation regularly honors people and organizations from our community who invest their time and efforts to make Montgomery County a better place for all of us. This month's Community Hero is Ira Shesser.

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