



**Meeting at South County High School, Media Room
Tuesday, June 11, 2013 @ 7:30 p.m.
**** AGENDA******

I. CALL TO ORDER – Gloria Bannister, President

II. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS & OFFICERS REPORTS

III. SUPERVISOR REPORT

IV. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Resolution: Shep Crow as the Grand Marshall for the July 4th Independence Day parade (attached)

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Transportation, Nick Firth, Chair**
- **Public Safety (need a volunteer)**
- **Land Use, Martin Rizer, Chair**
- **Environmental & Parks, Gloria Bannister, Chair**
- **Education, Christine Morin, Chair**

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- Updates from the South County Chamber of Commerce

NEXT MEETINGS

- July 9, 2013 at South County High School
- September 10, October 8, November 12, and December 10, 2013



Resolution to have “Shep” Crow as the Grand Marshall for the 2013 Lorton Independence Day Parade

Original from Dillwyn, Virginia Marvin “Shep” Crow currently resides on Mason Neck and, as a Virginia Tech graduate from the Class of ’54, he lives and breathes his alma mater’s motto, “Ut Prosim” (That I May Serve). Shep served in the US Army from August 1954 to August 1974 in the Air Defense Artillery, Field Artillery, and Ordnance Corps in the US, Germany, Korea, and Vietnam; he retired as Lieutenant Colonel with Secret, TS, TS-SCI, and Q Clearances. In 1954, as part of service with the Army, Shep was the Nike Launcher Pilot Platoon Leader in the first air defense Nike Missile Battery when the first missiles were transported from Texas to Lorton and became operational in the Washington, DC area. After retiring from the army, he served as a Defense Contractor in support the FAA, DIA, NSA, CIA, the US Customs Service, and the Departments of Interior, Agriculture, Justice, Commerce, Labor, Treasury Energy, Navy and Air Force in the fields of Telecommunications, Intelligence and Security. Shep retired as Chief Operating Officer of Artel, Inc. in December 1999 and currently serves as the President of Olde Crow Communications, Inc. which he started in 1988.

Shep has a very long history and appreciation for Lorton and was able to foresee that Lorton would “burst into a beautiful place to locate,” as he continues to shape the future of the Lorton community. Shep was the catalyst behind the South Fairfax Chamber of Commerce, which he helped launch in 2008, which demonstrates his ability to promote and improve the viability of both the business and residential communities in Southern Fairfax County.

Gerry Hyland said “Shep inspires those around him with his dedication and commitment to his community. He continues to lead by example and find ways, both big and small, to improve the Lorton community, bring residents together, and show everyone what retirement is really all about!”

Shep’s efforts are endless and his energy has no limits. Several groups and local citizens benefited from Shep’s hard work:

- He spearheaded the Chamber’s 10K race and knocked on several doors to gather sponsorships for the event. He also collected gifts and coupons to give out as award for the runners. This race continues to grow and bring people to the Lorton area and the proceeds from the race benefit the South County High School’s Athletic Boosters.
- He is responsible for replacing a very dilapidated “Welcome to Lorton” sign on Richmond Highway in Lorton (considered a County gateway) with a brand new sign seen by thousands of drivers daily. The sign identifies community groups in Lorton (South County Federation, Lion’s Club, Chamber of Commerce, Volunteer Fire Department, etc).



- When the clock tower on Lorton Road, near the Amtrak station stopped working correctly, Shep brought together the right people to fix the problem and get the clock back on time. Lorton residents and Amtrak riders are very appreciative of the change.
- He assisted in getting the Amtrak light re-timed to eliminate the needless wait for east Lorton residents trying to enter 95 north bound.
- He advocated eliminating a dangerous road condition in front of the 7-11 at Armistead Road and Route 1.
- He started an outreach program to interface the local VFW and the American Legion to support the Warriors in Transition Program.
- He was honored by Volunteer Fairfax with the 2013 Community Champion award.
- He serves on the Board of Directors for:
 - South Fairfax Chamber of Commerce
 - Cold War Museum
 - Harrison House of Virginia, Inc.
 - Harrison House of Virginia Foundation
- He is a member of the VFW, American Legion and Military Officers Association of America.

Therefore, the South County Federation finds that Marvin “Shep” Crow will serve as the Grand Marshall on July 4, 2013 at the Independence Day Parade.