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FPA PLAYBACK

FPA MEMBER MEETING SEPTEMBER 26

The annual FPA Member Meeting and Election for Board of Directors will be held Sunday, September 25 at the FPA studio facilities, beginning at 1pm. All members are invited to attend, though only members who are Fairfax County and Falls Church residents, have active memberships as of August 18 and can provide proof of residency are entitled to vote. A Virginia DMV photo ID or public school district verification (where age-appropriate), or a proof of residency as listed on the Virginia DMV website (www.dmv.state.va.us/webdoc/pdf/dmv141.pdf) posted ten days prior to the election will be required in order to receive a ballot. Upon reaching a quorum, voters will then have three hours in which to cast their ballots for up to two candidates. Anyone wishing to become a candidate may file a statement of candidacy with Board President Ayme Pointer or Board Secretary Bob Giarrusso through the FPA address no later than Friday, August 26. Statements of candidacy may be submitted in person or by mail, but if done by mail must be received (not postmarked) at the station by the due date. Statements of candidacy must contain the candidate's name and home address (no post office boxes) and be signed by the candidate, who may also include a current resume and/or a statement on why they are choosing to run.

HIGH-PROFILE GUESTS VISIT FPA

We've had a couple of notable visitors in our studios this summer.

First, movie reviewer Arch Campbell, host of the weekly "The Arch Campbell Show" program on NewsChannel 8, was a guest on Jerry Moore's "Monster Madhouse".

Then, author, journalist and Fox News political analyst Juan Williams sat down for an in-depth interview with Mimi Geerges, producer/host of the Radio Fairfax program "The Mimi Geerges Show".

Good guests. Good shows. Good job!



SKYPE WORKSHOP SEPTEMBER 16

Join us for the next in our series of free seminars on Friday, September 16 at 7pm. We will be showing members how to incorporate Skype into video productions – what you need to know on both ends, and how to best use it to get the results you want. As always with our quarterly workshops, there's no need to register – just show up prepared to learn.

PEÑA TO REPRESENT VIRGINIA ON ACM BOARD

On July 28, FPA Executive Director Chuck Peña was installed as the Virginia State Representative on the Board of Directors for the Alliance for Community Media Mid-Atlantic Region. ACM is an organization that represents the interests of over 3,000 PEG (public, educational, government) access centers across the country. After previously serving as the Maryland state representative for the last two years, he was re-elected to the Board and chosen to serve as the Virginia State Representative. Congratulations, Chuck!

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SPECIAL THANKS

Thanks to the members and staff who helped promote FPA at our booth this summer for Celebrate Fairfax.

Craig Bannister

Jim Burke

Lisa Clarke

Nelson Cuellar

Jerry Ferguson

Tom Fricke

Tom Gavin

John Henkel

Marco Henry

Timothy Hill

John Howe

Amy Hymes

David MacAlary

Joe Marrero

Jerry Moore

Danny Olewine

Glenn Richcreek

Steve Ruddell

Maryam Shah

Mike Stoeckle

Ralph Young

CONGRATULATIONS GO OUT TO....

... John Monsul, producer and host of "Communicating Today" on reaching his 600th program! John and his crew were given special recognition by Dranesville District Supervisor John Foust and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors at their July 26th Board meeting, acknowledging the effort of 22 years of community programming. "

...Hassanah Tauhidi, producer of "Living Islam in America", for winning a Hometown Award in the category of Cultural Perspectives. The Hometown Awards are sponsored by the Alliance for Community Media and given annually to outstanding programming produced by PEG channels from around the nation.

...Richard Jackson, producer of the Ram Jam TV Show, selected Producer of the Quarter for the spring season, who beat out several entries based on a number of criteria. While the spring quarter contest featured Channel 10 programming, the summer quarter will be featuring Channel 30 programming.

...Beth Olson, Gail Ruf, and Jothi Sunkari who took home Top Volunteer of the Quarter honors for spring. As FPA relies on member support, we thank all our volunteers, and particularly those such as these three women who go above and beyond in helping our members achieve their goals.

SUMMER QUARTER PRODUCER CONTEST

We're looking for the top Channel 30 TV producer, not in quantity of programs, but for quality in technical areas of expertise. To be eligible for consideration, you must be an active producer who:

1. Produces their show with FPA equipment or facilities.
2. Submits a show that was taped in 2011 and aired on Channel 30.
3. Has a regular time slot (specials are ineligible for consideration).

Shows submitted will be judged by a panel of staff members according to the categories of lighting, camera work, editing or a combination of all three, as chosen by the producer on submission. No other criteria will be considered, so be sure to make the proper choice. You'll have the opportunity to briefly describe why you think the technique was well done, and why you think you have a winning entry. Each producer may enter only one program for consideration, even if they produce more than one series at a time. Staff productions are eligible for consideration only if the category chosen by the producer at submission was not done by staff in the course of that production. Production Manger Lisa Clarke will be accepting entries through September 15, with the winner announced in the October newsletter. The top producer will have their name added to the "Producer of the Quarter" plaque, will receive a certificate from FPA suitable for framing, and be recognized at the FPA Annual Meeting on September 26th. All entries must be in DVD format, and accompanied by a submission form, found outside of Lisa's office, where there is also a box to drop off entries. Good luck!

"THE COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA IN AMERICA CARRY ON AN ENTERPRISE MORE FUNDAMENTAL EVEN THAN FORMAL EDUCATION TO THE WELL BEING OF AN OPEN SOCIETY." - DOUGLASS CATER, 1971.