Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church 7:30 PM, Jan. 4, 2012

Note: The Board did not meet in December

Attendees:

Officers		Board of Directors	
Michael Devlin	President	Sergio Diaz-Briquets	Jerry Lyons
Dave Kyle (absent)	Vice President	Lucia Ferguson	Marvin Miller
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Rick Hutson	Bruce Scott
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Rodney Loges	Peter Weyland

President Mike Devlin called the meeting to order at 7:33 and the following were discussed:

Approval of minutes: Motion passed to approve the Nov.2 Board meeting minutes (Hutson/Lyons).

New/Old Business:

Guest--Jim Collum – Lorton Patch Editor: Noted that he has been following N. Virginia news for six years.

MNCA officers for 2012/2013: Time to start thinking of names; any MNCA member can be a candidate

Thank-You letters to Candidates Night speakers: Were drafted by Sec. Dick and sent by Pres. Michael in both email and hard-copy

Next General Membership Meeting: Tuesday, March 13 was set as the best date, will check availability of Gunston Hall. After discussion "Celebrate Mason Neck" was chosen as a theme. We will seek speakers to talk about the Neck, hopefully with pictures or videos or other displays, and will also invite MNCA members to relate a personal view or experience. Rodney will act as peg point.

Mason Neck & Wounded Warriors: We should hear in Feb. about our application to Fairfax County for grant funds to study how the Neck could be made more accommodating and helpful to the veterans who are being treated at Ft. Belvoir and their families, but Board members want to pursue this with or without outside funding.

SCAR (formerly ICAR): Marvin noted that it is planning to build the smallest constructible sewage treatment facility, although that will still be much larger than their needs.

BLM-Meadowood: The results of an initial study are due soon. The Board continues to be concerned about the long-term prospects for use of this land and wants it to be preserved in its natural state.

Boy Scouts: Scout Leader Adam Dameron sent news that they sold about 200-250 first aid kits. (Note: MNCA is the official sponsor for the Mason Neck scouts—Pack 1900)

"Welcome to Mason Neck" sign: We should also hear in February about our application for Fairfax grant funds to build a sign. (Note: we cannot get both this and a Wounded Warrior grant but we hope to get one of them.) A likely location will be the kiosk that is planned on Gunston Road as an information center for people visiting the Neck.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, Feb.1, 2012 at 7:30 PM.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn at 8:50 PM. (Miller/Kennedy)