

## Visit Fairfax kicks off the holidays with grand opening of new Visitors Center at Tysons Corner Center

*New Visitors Center offers FREE service to help plan itinerary of things to see and do with visiting family*

- WHAT:** Visit Fairfax, the official tourism agency for Fairfax County, kicks off the holiday season with the grand opening of the new Fairfax County Capital Region Visitors Center at Tysons Corner Center, one of the most heavily trafficked malls in the nation.
- WHO:** To celebrate the opening, county tourism and political leaders will hang stockings from the Visitors Desk. Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman **Gerry Connolly**; Supervisor **Linda Smyth** (Providence district); **Mark Carrier**, chairman of the Visit Fairfax board and senior vice president of BF Saul Hotel Division; **Arnie Quirion**, president and CEO of Visit Fairfax; **Charles Cope**, vice chair of the Visit Fairfax Board and vice president of Macerich East Development, LLC.; **Kathy Hannon**, senior property manager, Macerich Tysons Corner Center; and **Sue Porter**, director of visitors services for Visit Fairfax, will hang their stockings with care, while FX the Tourhound, Visit Fairfax's basset hound mascot, greets guests and plays Santa.
- WHY:** The new Visitors Center, located on the second level of Tysons Corner Center, will serve as the holiday headquarters for Visit Fairfax's "Relative Rescue" program, a FREE service offered to residents and visitors alike. With the "Relative Rescue" program, the expert staff at the Visitors Center can help residents plan an entire itinerary of things to see and do in Fairfax County and the Capital Region, plus make hotel and restaurant reservations, with visiting family members during the November and December holiday season.
- WHEN:** **Thursday, November 1, 2007**  
**3:00 p.m.**
- WHERE:** Fairfax County Capital Region Visitors Center  
Tysons Corner Center  
Second level, next to Free People  
1961 Chain Bridge Road  
McLean, Virginia 22102  
*\*the Visitors Center is also referred to as the Fairfax County Community Services Center*
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