

# The Council Report

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News from the Friendship Heights Village Council—  
the elected governing body of the Special Tax District  
of the Village of Friendship Heights



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## Rothstein Educational Scholarship Deadline Extended



*College of Arts and Sciences at The American University (left), and Maguire Hall at Georgetown University (above). Previous winners of the Rothstein Educational Scholarship attended both schools. (Source: [www.georgetown.edu](http://www.georgetown.edu); [www.american.edu](http://www.american.edu))*

The Village Council is now considering applications for grants under the Robert & Sylvia Rothstein Educational Scholarship. The scholarship was established by the Council in 1998 and is funded by the Village of Friendship Heights and private donations (all donations to the Rothstein Scholarship fund are tax deductible).

This is a merit scholarship of up to \$10,000. It is not based on financial need. Residency in the Village of Friendship Heights is required. The scholarship is open to residents of **all** ages who are enrolled or plan to enroll in a post-secondary academic program in 2004 to 2005.

Application forms and copies of the Criteria and General Conditions are available at the Village Center or on the Village website.

**The application deadline has been extended to August 15.** Take advantage of this terrific opportunity; for more information, call the Center at 301-656-2797.

### Update on Hecht's Development

New England Development is scheduled to begin construction on the Hecht's project in early August.

The first phase will be the relocation of utility lines at the corner of Western Avenue and Friendship Boulevard, in preparation for the construction of the new Hecht's store. The existing Hecht's store will remain open until the new one is built. The project will include a high-rise residential building, office, retail (including a new Whole Foods store), community center, and public park. Construction is expected to take about 42 months.

### Utility Undergrounding Project Moves Forward

We have continued working with Pepco to remove the remaining overhead utility lines and poles along South Park Avenue and The

Hills Plaza. Our contractor has completed the installation of conduit in The Hills Plaza. The rest of the underground conduit will be connected by Pepco through existing lines in South Park out to Wisconsin Avenue. Once the underground work is complete, Pepco will remove the overhead system.

—Melanie Rose White  
Mayor



*The Village installed a new bus shelter, purchased from Montgomery County, at the corner of Willard and North Park Avenues.*

## Council Actions

- **May 10, 2004, meeting:** Approved proposal from Culler Irrigation for Humphrey Park fountain maintenance contract; approved proposal from Pepco for utility undergrounding project; approved proposal from B. Frank Joy Company to install conduit underground in connection with Pepco project.
- **June 14, 2004, meeting:** Nominated Leonard Grant for the Friendship Heights Transportation Management District Advisory Committee; approved proposal from Choice Restoration to perform repairs at Village Center; named Nancy Kopp recipient of Elizabeth Scull Community Service Award; approved Community Service Award winners; heard presentation from McFall and Berry regarding planting proposals for Humphrey Park; requested additional options to be presented at a future meeting.
- **July 12, 2004, meeting:** Cancelled August 9 Council meeting.



**Friendship Boulevard and North Park Ave.  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

**Monday, Aug. 23      Monday, Oct. 25**  
**Monday, Sep. 27      Monday, Nov. 22**  
**Monday, Dec. 20**



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