



A message from Kathy Smith

Fairfax County Park Authority now offers Military Mondays. This is a small way that we show our appreciation for those who have served and who continue to serve. Every Monday, now through the end of the year, golf tee times at our county courses are discounted for the military.

Summer break is nearly half-way through, and soon it will be time to start preparing for the kids to return to school. Part of this preparation is making sure all immunizations are up to date. As school starts before Labor Day this year, the first day will be here before you know it.

Sincerely,

Kathy

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Learn About Proposed Zoning Changes That May Affect You at July 26 Open House



Short-term rentals, like Airbnb, adding structures to your back yards, restaurants, signs and senior living communities—these are some of the topics where Fairfax County is considering changes to its zoning rules.

On July 26, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., come to an open house to learn how these proposed changes may affect you and your neighborhood. The event will take place at the [Herrity Building](#), Room 106/107, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA.

Every year, the Board of Supervisors adopts a [work program for zoning ordinance amendments](#), and this program guides what zoning changes are considered. The 2017 program contains 14 topic areas for consideration and

includes efforts to modernize the Zoning Ordinance, [known as zMOD](#).

At the open house, you will be able to hear short presentations on each of these topics, including a presentation on how zoning regulations are amended. You will also have an opportunity to learn about how zoning affects land use and development and talk one-on-one with staff or ask questions about zoning issues.

This year, some of the first priority zoning amendments include:

- **[Short-term rentals](#):** These are properties that are rented less than 30 days on websites like Airbnb, Flipkey, Homeaway, VRBO and many others. We are looking at changes that regulate where these rentals would be allowed, what kinds of properties could be rented and how often they could be rented out. You can [take a short survey](#) to provide input that will help to shape the proposed rules.
 - **Rear Yard Coverage:** It is increasingly common for residents to add hardscaping, like patios, to their yards, but current zoning rules make it difficult for homeowners with small backyards to do so. We are proposing changes to give homeowners living in single family detached homes more flexibility to add these features.
 - **Restaurants:** We are considering changes to give fast casual restaurants, like Panera, Chipotle, or Pei Wei, more flexibility to open in commercial areas.
 - **Signs:** Because of a U.S. Supreme Court ruling, we must rewrite our sign rules to make sure they are “content neutral.” Our current ordinance regulates or classifies certain sign types based, in whole or in part, on the message on them.
 - **Agricultural Districts and Uses:** We are proposing to update our zoning rules to accommodate increasing interest in establishing
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community gardens and opportunities for urban agriculture and to address agritourism activities on farms such as harvest-your-own activities, farm festivals and other special events.

- **Continuing Care Communities:** The proposed changes are to consider creating a new use or zoning district to accommodate “full spectrum” care and accommodations, such as memory care or assisted living facilities.

Public input is key to shaping proposed zoning amendments that ultimately must be approved by the Board of Supervisors. Residents are encouraged to offer their thoughts early in the process, and the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors also hold public hearings on proposed amendments.

For questions about the July 26 open house, reasonable ADA accommodations or to offer feedback on proposed amendments, contact the [Zoning Ordinance Administration Division](#) by [email](#) or call 703-324-1314, TTY 711.

2017 Collect for Kids School Supply Drive



Aiming to ensure that every child in the school district is prepared for school, Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) has launched its support for the 2017 Collect for Kids drive, a coordinated school supply drive to benefit students in FCPS who otherwise might start school without the tools needed to succeed.

The drive provides school supplies for the 2017-18 school year for students who qualify for free and reduced-price meals. Donors can support FCPS students in three ways:

Cash Donations:

By partnering with Office Depot and Walmart, Collect for Kids partners purchase school supplies in bulk, translating a \$1 donation into \$3 worth of school supplies. Donations are accepted online at

<http://collectforkids.org/donate/>.

Backpack Donations:

Donations of new backpacks can be brought to a variety of locations during the month of August, to include all Fairfax County Board of Supervisors offices, FCPS Gatehouse and Willow Oaks Administrative Centers, and all Apple Federal Credit Union locations. An updated list of

backpack collection locations can be found online at <http://collectforkids.org/additional-ways-to-give/>.

Calculator Donations:

Calculators, which will help support students in STEM subjects can be donated to FCPS. Preferred models are the TI 30Xa Solar School Edition, or TI-84 Series calculators, but other models may be donated.

The Collect of Kids program runs **July 1 through August 25**. For more information, contact Kathy Ryan at 571-423-1206 or krryan@fcps.edu.

Snake Safety & Awareness Information



As temperatures continue to rise, the warm weather will also encourage snakes to become more active and increase opportunities for people and their pets to encounter these secretive reptiles.

Fairfax County is home to an array of snake species, most of which are non-venomous and pose no threat to people. The most frequently observed of our resident snakes are Northern black racers, Eastern rat snakes, Northern ring-necked snakes, and Northern water snakes, common and important

predators in our ecosystems. These snakes, and others, are beneficial and provide a valuable service in our communities in the way of pest control.

The Northern copperhead is the only venomous snake species commonly found in Fairfax County. Copperheads may be found basking in the sun on trails, in rocky areas, and in stream valleys. They are most active between April and October. Copperheads can be identified by their triangular head shape, vertical pupil and an hourglass scale pattern that runs the length of their body. They may be copper-colored or a light brown and tan color. Juvenile copperheads have the same color patterns as adults, except the tip of the tail is yellow. Many of our non-venomous snakes are unnecessarily killed each year because they are misidentified as copperheads. For information on identification of the Northern copperhead and harmless look-a-like species, please [click here](#).

You are most likely to encounter snakes:

- 1) When they are crossing roads;
- 2) When they are moving through your backyard or through other transient habitats;
- 3) During breeding season (spring or fall) when they are moving to look for mates;
- 4) When they are basking near habitat edges (e.g., water bodies, forest lines).

Most snake bites occur when snakes are handled or accidentally touched by someone walking or climbing. Following a few simple tips when outdoors can help you lessen your chances of a snake bite.

Safety Tips to Reduce Chances of a Snake Bite:

If you see a snake, stop and keep a safe distance. Give the snake room to move away on its own.

- Do not try to handle any snake. Any snake will bite if provoked so do not handle them.
- When walking or hiking, stay on trails, sidewalks and cleared pathways.
- Wear boots or closed shoes and long pants when working outdoors or walking in wooded areas.
- Wear leather gloves when handling brush and debris.
- Use a flashlight if walking at night in areas where snakes might be present.
- Keep dogs on leashes and pet cats indoors to reduce chances of them encountering a snake.

If you find a sick or injured snake, contact the police non-emergency line at (703) 691-2131 to be connected with the Animal Protection Police. If you are bitten by a snake you believe could be venomous, seek emergency medical attention immediately.

For information on managing wildlife interactions and resolving human-wildlife conflicts, the Virginia Wildlife Conflict Helpline is available toll-free at (855) 571-9003, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. This helpline is a collaborative effort between the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries and the U.S. Department of Agriculture – Wildlife Services.

Additional information on snakes including ways to discourage and exclude

them from your property can be found at

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/hidden-pond/snakes1.htm>.

Go ‘Doll Crazy’ at Sully Historic Site



Dolls come in all shapes, sizes, and styles, and Sully Historic Site is now displaying dolls from all over the world. Sully staff and volunteers are sharing their unique dolls collected over the years from near and far.

The dolls on display **now through August** are made from diverse materials including fabrics, plastics, and more. A doll made from a spool and one made from corn husks demonstrate some of the more unique materials used in doll making. Some have faded with age, while others are bright and colorful as if brand new.

See World War II cultural icon Rosie the Riveter, replete with iconic red bandana. More American culture is represented by the Brownie and Girl Scout doll. International touches include a Japanese doll with changeable wigs to represent different ages.

After viewing the exhibit, share you own special doll memory by drawing your favorite doll or sharing your own recollection.

Doll Crazy is included in the guided house tour. Tickets are \$7 per adult, \$6 for students 16 years and older, and \$5 for seniors and children. Tours are on the hour starting at 11:00 a.m. with the last tour at 4:00 p.m.

Consider signing your child up for Sully's All-American Girl doll camp the **week of July 17**. Bring your favorite doll and experience the life of an American girl growing up in different eras in history. Bring these times to life with your doll through fun activities, costumes, crafts and themed games in a beautiful historic setting. The camp meets Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$195 per child. It is designed for campers age 5 to 10.

Sully Historic Site is located at 3650 Historic Sully Way in Chantilly. For more information, call 703-437-1794 or visit [Sully Historic Site](#).

Your Field Guide to Battle Ticks



Not all ticks are equal, but they do have one common characteristic—no one wants to find one on themselves.

Ticks are a concern every summer, **but this year you may be hearing more about them because of a rise in rare tick-borne diseases** like Powassan virus in parts of the country. Lyme disease is still the best known and most common disease spread by ticks in Virginia.

3 Types of Ticks:

There are [three tick species regularly found in Fairfax County](#) that can transmit disease to humans:

1. Black-legged or Deer Tick (*Ixodes scapularis*)
2. Lone Star Tick (*Amblyomma americanum*)
3. American Dog Tick (*Dermacentor variabilis*)

How a Tick Plans Its Attack:

Ticks find their hosts by detecting breath and body odors, or by sensing body heat, moisture and vibrations. Some species can even recognize a shadow.

Ticks pick a place to wait by identifying well-used paths. **Then they wait for a host, resting on the tips of grasses and shrubs.** Ticks can't fly or jump, but many tick species wait in a position known as "questing."

While questing, ticks hold onto leaves and grass by their third and fourth pair of legs. **They hold the first pair of legs outstretched, waiting to climb on to the host.** When a host brushes the spot where a tick is waiting, it quickly climbs aboard. Some ticks will attach quickly and others will wander, looking

for places like the ear, or other areas where the skin is thinner.

8 Ways to Avoid Tick Bites:

So let's get down to basics. Here's what you can do to prevent tick bites and avoid getting sick from the bite of a tick:

1.) Minimize direct contact with ticks. Avoid wooded and bushy areas with high grass and leaf litter and walk in the center of trails.

2.) Use a repellent containing DEET. [Repellents](#) with DEET can be applied to exposed skin and clothing to help repel ticks. Follow the label instructions.

3.) Wear long, loose-fitting, light-colored clothing. Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants. Tuck your pants into your socks and your shirt into your pants so ticks don't have easy access to your skin. It's easier to see ticks when they are crawling on light-colored clothes.

4.) Use permethrin on clothing. Clothing can be treated with [permethrin](#), an insecticide that repels and kills ticks. It can be purchased from the outdoors section of several retailers. Follow the label instructions.

5.) Do a tick check. While outside, take breaks to check yourself for ticks. Bathe or shower as soon as possible after coming indoors (preferably within two hours) to wash off and more easily find ticks that are crawling on you. Do a thorough check at the end of the day; use a mirror or have someone help you check the hard-to-see places on your body. Ticks can go anywhere, so you need to check everywhere.

6.) Examine gear and pets. Ticks can ride into the home on clothing and pets, then attach to a person later, so carefully examine animals, coats and backpacks.

7.) Practice tick-safe landscaping. Ticks that transmit Lyme disease need higher humidity levels to survive; they die quickly in drier environments. Increasing exposure to sun and air by removing leaf litter, mowing the lawn and clearing tall grass and brush around houses and at the edges of lawns will reduce the numbers of ticks that transmit Lyme disease.

8.) Discourage deer. Ticks often attach themselves to deer. Those deer then wander into your yard and the ticks may end up on your property. Constructing physical barriers and removing food, such as spilled bird seed, from your yard will discourage deer from entering your yard. In addition, removing plants that attract deer and constructing physical barriers may help discourage tick-infested deer from coming near homes.

How to Remove a Tick:

Daily checks for ticks and promptly removing any attached tick you find will help prevent infection. It usually takes several hours for diseases to be transmitted from a tick to you.

Here are five steps to successfully remove a tick:

1. **Use fine-tipped tweezers** or shield your fingers with a tissue, paper towel, or rubber gloves, when removing the tick; otherwise infectious agents may enter through mucous membranes and breaks in the skin.
 2. Grasp the tick as close to the skin surface as possible and **pull upward with steady, even pressure.**
 3. **DO NOT twist or jerk the tick;** this may cause the mouthparts to break off and remain in the skin.
 4. **DO NOT squeeze, crush or puncture the body of the tick** because its fluids may contain infectious organisms.
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5. After removing the tick, **thoroughly disinfect the bite site** and wash your hands with soap and water.

Free Tick Identification Service:

Our Health Department will identify a tick that you find on your body or your child's body, **free of charge**. This tick identification service **does not** test ticks for pathogens (i.e. Lyme disease bacteria) for clinical purpose.

From 2012 to 2016, the program averaged 330 requests for tick IDs per year. **“Through May, we’ve already identified 112 ticks,”** says Smith. The most common tick identified is the lone star tick, but deer ticks pop up too.

After you remove a tick, place the tick inside a plastic bag (the Health Department does not remove ticks).

- **Bring the tick to the Health Department’s administration building,** 10777 Main Street (Kelly Square), Fairfax, VA 22030.
- Bring the tick to the permit counter located in Suite 111, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- If a staff member is available when the tick is brought in, the tick can be identified within a few minutes while you wait. Or you will receive a call at a later time.

Symptoms of Lyme Disease:

It's important to know the symptoms of Lyme disease so you can seek early treatment when necessary. Symptoms include, but are not limited to:

- **A bull's-eye rash** (Not every person infected with the Lyme disease bacteria gets this rash.)
- **Fever**
- **Headache**
- **Achy muscles and joints**
- **Fatigue**

If you think you have Lyme disease or are concerned that you may have contracted a tick-borne illness, consult your physician as soon as possible.

Other Tick-Borne Diseases

Parents: It's Time to Immunize!



Documentation of immunization is required for **children entering kindergarten and sixth grade and for new students transferring into Fairfax County Public Schools**. The Fairfax County Health Department offers school required immunizations from your health care provider and at the [Fairfax County Health Department's five clinics](#). **To shorten your**

wait, call ahead to make an appointment.

IMPORTANT: Parents should bring the child's immunization record and insurance card to the clinic. If your immunization records are not in English, please seek the assistance of an appropriate translator to translate your record. Without an immunization record in English, your child may need to restart his or her immunization series. [How do I find my child's immunization record?](#)

Important Information for Parents:

- For faster service and shorter wait times, **please call for an appointment.**
- School-required immunizations are **free of charge** at the [Health Department's five clinics](#).
- A list of **required school immunizations and related forms/documents** is available on the [Virginia Department of Health website](#).
- **At your appointment, bring the following items:**
 - **The child's immunization record and insurance card to the clinic.** [How do I find my child's immunization record?](#)
 - Commonwealth of Virginia School Health Form, with Part 1 filled out by the parent or guardian: [Form](#)
 - Health Department forms (see Immunization Forms section below)
- **Prepare your child for a clinic visit.** Get tips to [help make your child's clinic visit go well](#).

Get more information about [childhood immunizations](#), including immunization schedules.

Immunization Forms:

To shorten your wait, call ahead to make an appointment. Then fill out and print these four forms* and bring all four forms with you to your appointment at the Health Department:

1. [Health Department Registration Form](#)
2. [Health Department Service Slip](#)
3. Screening Questionnaire for Immunizations: [Adults](#) | [Children & Teens](#)
4. [Eligibility Screening Record](#) (for children under 19 years of age)

* If you are unable to print these forms, they will be provided to you at the time of your appointment.

Reminder!



Secure Document Shredding Event

The Fairfax County Solid Waste Management Program will be sponsoring one secure document shredding event in each supervisory district per calendar year. These events are **only** open to Fairfax County residents along with residents of the Towns of Vienna, Herndon and Clifton and the

Cities of Fairfax and Falls Church. **Documents from businesses will not be accepted.**

Date: July 22, 2017

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: Westfield High School - 4700 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151

Procedures for the Event:

Please Note: Shredding events start at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 12:00 p.m. All cars must be in line by 12:00 p.m. These are drive-through events and residents will be asked to remain in their vehicles. **For everyone's safety, you will not be able to stand by and watch your paper being shredded.**

- County staff remove boxes from cars and trucks and empty paper into rolling carts.
- Once full, the carts are taken to the shredding truck where they are emptied into a shredder.
- All documents are cross-cut shred on-site, by a private contractor, on the day of the event.
- Following the event, all paper is delivered to a local recycling facility for processing.
- Written certification of shredding will not be provided.

For additional information, please contact **703-324-5230**, TTY 711 or visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/recycling/shredding.htm>.

FREE!

FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY

Summer Entertainment Series

Starlight Cinema



Saturday Evenings in August • 6:00 p.m.
Trinity Centre 5860 Trinity Pkwy, Centreville

Welcome to another exciting season of Starlight Drive-in Cinema. These movie nights bring the community together and nurture community spirit with features that appeal to both children and adults. Our 2017 season provides four movies, free for the public to enjoy. The atmosphere is relaxed and informal. Feel free to bring a picnic, blanket and chairs, and enjoy the movies. To volunteer, please contact my office at 703-814-7100. I look forward to seeing you as we watch "Movies under the Stars!"

Kathy L. Smith, Sully District Supervisor

FREE Drive-In Movies!

Gates open 6 p.m., movie starts at dark.

Free children's games and rides. Food and drinks available for purchase.
Bring your own lawn chairs, blankets and FM radio,
if you wish to sit outside. Consumption of alcohol is not permitted.



AUGUST 5 - MOANA

PG | 113 min | Animation, Adventure, Comedy
Walt Disney Pictures | 2016

In Ancient Polynesia, when a terrible curse incurred by the Demigod Maui reaches an impetuous Chieftain's daughter's island, she answers the Ocean's call to seek out the Demigod to set things right.

AUGUST 12 - FINDING DORY

PG | 103 min | Animation, Adventure, Comedy
Walt Disney Pictures | 2016

The friendly but forgetful blue tang fish, Dory, begins a search for her long-lost parents, and everyone learns a few things about the real meaning of family along the way.



AUGUST 19 - ZOOTOPIA

PG | 108min | Animation, Adventure, Comedy
Walt Disney Pictures | 2016

In a city of anthropomorphic animals, a rookie bunny cop and a cynical con artist fox must work together to uncover a conspiracy.

AUGUST 26 - STORKS

PG | 89 min | Animation, Adventure, Comedy
Warner Bros. | 2016

A stork and his human pal must team up to transport a baby girl to her expectant family, despite the fact that storks now work as couriers for an Internet merchant after getting out of the baby-delivery business.



Check online for the full updated listing of Summer 2017 Starlight Cinema drive-in movies! www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performance

Starlight Cinema is presented in partnership with the Friends of Starlight Cinema and generous support from the following sponsors. Supervisor Smith's office proudly sponsors one movie night this summer.



The summer concert series is made possible through corporate and private donations. To donate, visit www.fairfaxparkfoundation.org/projects



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Shows are canceled due to inclement weather.
Call 703-324-SHOW (7469) one hour prior to the start of the show for updates.

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performance



Military Mondays



Now Hear This!

All active duty and veteran military personnel get special pricing privileges for golf at these Fairfax County Park Authority Golf Courses.

**Mondays only.
Now through
December 31, 2017.**

Greendale Golf Course, Alexandria
\$35 for 18 holes (walk or ride) • (703) 971-6170
★ ★ ★

Laurel Hill Golf Club, Lorton
\$49 for 18 holes (includes cart) • (703) 493-8849
★ ★ ★

Oak Marr Golf Course, Oakton
\$10 for 9 holes (includes push cart) • (703) 255-5390
★ ★ ★

Pinecrest Golf Course, Alexandria
\$15 for 9 holes (walk or ride) • (703) 941-1061
★ ★ ★

Burke Lake Golf Center, Fairfax Station
After 3pm - \$12 for 9 holes • \$15 for 18 holes
(includes push cart) (703) 323-1641

Holiday fee schedules vary by course, call to inquire.



 For Inclusion and ADA Support call 703-324-8563. TTY 703-803-3354



Animal Shelter Corner



Meet Bailey!

Age: 18 years

Gender: Female

Color: White

Spayed/Neutered: Yes

Size: Small

Bailey has a penchant for wearing bows in her fur, being absolutely adorable, and making everyone smile. Can you believe this girl is 18 years old? We can't! She's very social, loves cuddles, and will follow her people all around. She doesn't mind going for walks but does prefer to keep them a little short - hey, she's 18! And she's always got a smile on her face! That's despite the fact that she does have some health issues. We don't know how much time Bailey has left to love, but we do know that whoever gets to spend that time with her will not regret it! Can your heart handle the love this girl can give? If you are interested in meeting Bailey, please email the animal shelter at animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Volunteer Opportunity in Sully



Landscaper at Cub Run RECenter

Here's your chance to get some exercise, be outside and help us with maintenance of the indoor and outdoor plants, flower beds, and beautification of the park grounds.

Duties:

Help prepare flower beds for planting, assist site manager with ordering plants and flowers, mulch flower beds to maintain ground moisture, remove dead plants or flowers, weed flower beds, water and help winterize and clean out flower beds as necessary. Light to heavy lifting.

Volunteer Benefits:

Free RECenter facility use: *Park Services and *Resource Management volunteers who maintain an average of four hours of service per week or three weekly classes per class session as an Adapted Aquatics assistant, can use ANY RECenter's general facilities free of charge. Free RECenter classes: *Park Service and *Resource Management volunteers who have served a minimum of 32 hours and maintain an average of eight hours of service per week, or volunteer as an Adapted Aquatics assistant for four weekly classes, per class session are eligible to take one free FCPA

Parktakes class per session on a space available basis. Family Discount Pass: All FCPA volunteers are entitled to purchase a 25-visit pass for their family use to any RECenter at a special county employee rate. Ten Percent Merchandise Discount: *Park Service, *Resource Management and *Golf volunteers who serve four or more hours each month are entitled to a 10% merchandise discount, some exclusions apply. Fairfax County Credit Union Membership: Any active FCPA volunteer is entitled to free credit union membership.

Qualifications:

Must be 16 years of age or older. Have a genuine interest in landscaping and knowledge of care for plants and trees. Prior landscaping experience is preferred. Must attend site orientation and on-the job training as required. Must also complete FCPA equipment safety guidelines/policy. Mandatory safety training and outdoor based training will be provided.

Time Commitment:

You will be expected to volunteer 4 hours per week for 6 months.

Location:

Cub Run RECenter
4630 Stonecroft Boulevard
Chantilly, VA 20151

Contact:

Ann Shields
703-814-7788

Ann.Shields@fairfaxcounty.gov

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/volunteer>
