

Sull-E Newsletter



A message from Kathy Smith

I know that many of you travel through the Stonecroft Boulevard/Westfields Boulevard intersection and have seen the lane configuration changes over the last few months that added capacity on Stonecroft Boulevard. The work that is taking place is being done by Akridge the developer of the property across the street from my office. Per their development conditions, Akridge is required to construct an additional lane across their property frontage and also along the frontage of the Sully District Police Station, install a traffic signal in front of the police station, and construct an additional southbound lane on Westfields Boulevard at the Stonecroft Boulevard intersection. Most of this work is completed; however, there was a delay in getting the Washington Gas pipeline on Westfields Boulevard relocated and thus all of the work could not be completed within the same time frame. Akridge recently informed my office that Washington Gas should begin the pipeline relocation this week. Once this work is completed, Akridge can begin construction of the third

southbound lane on Westfields Boulevard. At the conclusion of this work, which is anticipated to be completed at the end of October/beginning of November, weather permitting, VDOT will allow Akridge to open up the dual right-hand turn on Stonecroft Boulevard to southbound Westfields Boulevard. Finally, Akridge anticipates the traffic signal in front of the Sully District Police Station to be operational in the middle of October. I know that it has been difficult to navigate this corridor, but the upcoming improvements should provide some relief through this heavily traveled corridor.

Sincerely,

Kathy

Community Meeting: Proposed Comprehensive Plan Changes for Middleton Farms & Jackson Property



You are invited to an upcoming community meeting to learn about the Middleton Farms (DSC-D1-1) and Jackson Property (DSC-D1-2) proposals

to change the Comprehensive Plan. The meeting will take place on **Wednesday, October 4, 2017 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Coates Elementary School, 2480 River Birch Road, Herndon, VA 20171**. At the meeting staff will review a preliminary recommendation to change the Comprehensive Plan language for these properties.

The Middleton Farms submission proposes to add an option in the Comprehensive Plan for single-family attached residential units at a density of 5 dwelling units per acre. For more information please see: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/dullessuburbancenter/submissions/dsc-d1-1/

The Jackson Property submission proposes to add an option for residential development at 10-12 units per acre. This proposed density has since decreased. For more information please see: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/dullessuburbancenter/submissions/dsc-d1-2/

If you are unable to attend the community meeting, but have questions or would like more information please contact Clara Johnson or Roger Dindyal in the Planning Division, Department of Planning and Zoning at 703-324-1380, TTY 711 (Virginia Relay).

Car Tax is Due October 5

Extended Hours and Many Ways to Pay



Have you paid your car tax yet?

Since July, the county has mailed out more than 800,000 annual bills to vehicle owners. **The deadline to pay your bill is Thursday, October 5, 2017.** Below is a helpful checklist to get you through the process.

Don't Wait Until the Last Minute:

If you have a question or concern about your tax bill, contact our customer service staff in the Department of Tax Administration at your earliest convenience. The hours are Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 703-222-8234 (TTY 711), or [send an email](#).

Extended hours at the [Government Center](#) are also available for your convenience:

- Saturday, September 30: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Monday, October 2 to Wednesday, October 4: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 5: 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Access Your Information Online:

There is an easy way to access your personal property (car tax) and real estate tax accounts securely online – via our MyFairfax web portal. By creating an account and logging on, you can:

- Access tax information
 - Register new vehicles or update vehicles moved or sold
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- View current and past real estate assessment and payment information

[Log into MyFairfax](#)

There are Many Ways to Pay:

There are several convenient (and quick!) ways to pay. Tip: have your bill handy, you will need info listed on it.

Ways to pay include:

- Online with credit/debit card or checking account
- Use your smartphone
- By phone with your credit card
- In person at Government Center or at participating retailers
- By mail

[Get Info on How to Pay Your Car Tax](#)

Bill Includes Local Registration Fee:

Your personal property (car) tax bill includes a local registration fee for vehicles regularly garaged, stored or parked in Fairfax County.

- This is separate and distinct from the state registration fee paid to the [Virginia DMV](#).
 - Other than a safety inspection sticker, Fairfax County does not require the display of a windshield decal.
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The Town of Clifton and the Town of Herndon have eliminated the requirement to display a local registration windshield decal. Due to state law, each town will continue to charge a local registration fee, but there is no longer a physical decal. Fairfax County personal property tax bills now include the local registration fee charged by those towns. Fairfax County, the Town of Clifton and the Town of Herndon have entered into an agreement so the county will now bill and collect the current registration fee on behalf of the towns, and will forward the fees to each town as appropriate. The town fee will now be prorated upon the sale or move of the vehicle.

Residents of the Town of Vienna must still pay town registration fees directly to Vienna. Fairfax County is not billing Vienna town fees at this time.

Tax Relief:

You may qualify for tax relief, if you are a senior at least 65-years-old, or permanently and totally disabled, a disabled veteran, or a spouse of a veteran killed in action. [More information](#) and forms are online, or call 703-222-8234 (TTY 711).

20 Reasons Why You Can Absentee Vote



Absentee voting is underway for the November 7 election. The [ballot](#) includes candidates for governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, and House of Delegates, as well as a public school bond referendum.

Our county has more than 680,000 active registered voters and we're expecting a turnout similar or more than we had in [2013](#), which was almost 50 percent. That is a lot of people who will go through our 243 voter precincts on November 7 during the 13 hours of voting, 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

You may want to consider absentee voting, especially if you have a long commute, have a disability or illness, or you are a first responder. There are 20 valid reasons to vote absentee in Virginia.

And, we have 10 locations countywide where you can absentee vote in person.

Reasons You Can Absentee Vote:

1. Student attending college or university outside of locality of residence in Virginia
 2. Spouse of student attending college or university outside locality of residence in Virginia
 3. Business outside County/City of residence on Election Day
 4. Personal business or vacation outside County/City of residence on Election Day
 5. I am working and commuting to/from home for 11 or more hours between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Election Day
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6. I am a first responder (member of law enforcement, firefighter, emergency technician, search and rescue)
7. My disability or illness
8. I am primarily and personally responsible for the care of a disabled/ill family member confined at home
9. My pregnancy
10. Confined, awaiting trial
11. Confined, convicted of a misdemeanor
12. An electoral board member, registrar, officer of election, or custodian of voting equipment
13. I have a religious obligation
14. Active Duty Merchant Marine or Armed Forces
15. Spouse or dependent living with a member of Active Duty Merchant Marine or Armed Forces
16. Temporarily residing outside of U.S.
17. Temporarily residing outside of U.S. for employment or spouse or dependent residing with employee
18. Authorized representative of candidate or party serving inside the polling place
19. Granted a protective order issued by or under the authority of a court of competent jurisdiction.
20. [Complete list of information from Virginia Department of Elections](#), including supporting information you may need to provide.

Stay Informed:

It is important that you are an informed voter and get official election information from the Fairfax County Office of Elections and the Virginia Department of Elections.

- **Subscribe** to [Fairfax Alerts](#). Check the box for Office of Elections and indicate how you would like to receive news and updates and on what devices.
 - **Visit** the Virginia Department of Elections [website](#).
 - **Call** 703-222-0776 (TTY 711)
 - **Email** voting@fairfaxcounty.gov
 - **Go online** to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections
 - **Follow** [@fairfaxvotes](#) and [@fairfaxcounty](#) on Twitter
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Coffee with a Cop



BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS. ONE CUP AT A TIME.

Join your neighbors and police officers for coffee and conversation.



Wednesday
October 4, 2017



Starbucks
14423 Chantilly
Crossing Lane



10:00 AM to
12:00 PM

The mission of Coffee with a Cop is to break down the barriers between police officers and the citizens they serve.

By removing agendas and allowing opportunities to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood.

THIS EVENT IS PRESENTED BY THE:
Fairfax County Police Department



QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT:
sabrina.ruck@fairfaxcounty.gov
or call 703-814-7051

coffeewithacop.com

VDOT: Fairfax County Parkway Trail Paving



The Fairfax County Parkway Trail paving will begin later this fall and is scheduled for completion in summer 2018. The section of the trail between I-66 and Route 7 will be worked on first, followed by the section from I-66 to Whitlers Creek Drive (about a quarter-mile north of Rolling Road).

The work will take place weekdays between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Trail users should expect delays and are advised to use alternate routes; VDOT will provide regular updates regarding work zone locations to local biking organizations, as well as via the [project page](#) and [VDOT Northern Virginia's Twitter account](#). Reflective barriers will be installed at each work zone.

In 2016, extensive patching and crack sealing occurred in anticipation of this paving. Maintenance also occurred in 2014 along the Fairfax County Parkway Trail between Route 29 and Route 7.

The contractor for this work is [Finley Asphalt & Concrete](#) of Bristow.

Events at Centreville Regional Library



Location: 14200 St. Germain Drive, Centreville, VA 20121

Random Fandom

Date: Wednesday, October 4

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Want to hang out with some like-minded fans and discuss your favorite things? Join us as we explore a variety of fandoms through discussion and other creative pursuits. Grades 9-12.

Getting into College: Finding the Right Fit

Date: Wednesday, October 11

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Author Julia Ross will provide tips on doing a targeted college search, and advice on scholarships and financial aid. Teens and adults.

Unlikely Pairings: The Library @ the Winery

Date: Thursday, October 19

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Author Ellen Crosby discusses *The Merlot Murders* at The Winery at Bull Run. It is the first of monthly library events at the winery, located at: 15950 Lee Highway, Centreville, VA 20120. Adults.

For more information, and to register for events, please visit

[http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/ce/.](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/ce/)

Park Authority Seeks Comments on Cultural Resource Plan



The Fairfax County Park Authority is seeking public comment on the newly-revised Cultural Resource Management Plan. This plan was developed as part of the Park Authority's continuing effort to promote the culture of resource stewardship in Fairfax County and to continue in its mission to protect cultural resources for present and future generations. Public input will be accepted online at Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov and also through two

public comment meetings set for October.

Public Comment Meetings:

The first meeting will be held at Green Spring Gardens on **Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.** [Green Spring Gardens](#) is located at **4603 Green Spring Road in Alexandria, VA.** The meeting will be held in the Garden Center meeting room.

A second meeting will take place at the [Great Falls Grange](#) on **Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.** **The Grange is located at 9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, VA.**

Interested speakers may sign up in advance by contacting the Public Information Office at 703-324-8662 or via Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov. Individuals may speak for three minutes; groups or organizations may have one speaker for five minutes. You may also sign up at the meeting.

This is an update to the 2006 plan. The original plan had 11 topical chapters. Over the years, staff and section reorganizations have broken out particular topic areas and responsibilities that required a new look at this plan. Additionally, changes in requirements for reaccreditation by the American Alliance of Museums made a new, simplified approach desirable.

In 2017, the Cultural Resource Management Plan is being revamped to provide a more streamlined approach to archaeology and historic preservation. The new plan reflects recent structural changes that established two cooperative branches; the Heritage Conservation Branch and the Archaeology and Collections Branch. This plan sets forth specific

branch responsibilities and coordinates agency-wide efforts.

View the [Draft Cultural Resources Management Plan](#). Public comment will be accepted **through Friday, November 17, 2017**. Following consideration of all public comments as well as any needed plan revisions, the Park Authority Board will consider the document for approval. For more information contact Dr. Elizabeth Crowell at Elizabeth.Crowell@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-246-5758.

All Aboard for Centreville Day 2017



Join family, friends, neighbors, and community members to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Centreville Day on **Saturday, October 21, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Centreville Historic Park**. This is a family friendly event that includes the American Legion Parade, Rotary Club of Centreville-Chantilly Pet Pageant, and great food, too! Thanks to our generous sponsors, including the Korean Central Presbyterian Church and Fairfax County Park Authority, there is no admittance fee! Shuttle bus service

provided by Centreville Baptist church from Trinity Centre. For more information, please visit <http://www.historiccentrevilleva.org>.

Animal Shelter Corner



Meet Thirteen & Number 4!

| Name | Age | Gender | Color | Spayed/Neutered | Size |
|----------|-------|--------|-------------|-----------------|-------|
| Thirteen | 5y 6m | Female | White | Yes | Large |
| Number 4 | 5y 6m | Male | Brown/White | Yes | Large |

Thirteen and Number 4 are happy, energetic dogs who are always smiling. They are also the bestest of friends! Number 4 is fully blind and relies on Thirteen a lot for support. So the shelter is looking for an extra special person who would be willing to adopt both dogs. Their previous owner said that they are great with kids, know basic commands, and are housebroken. She went on to say that Number 4 is a great listener and Thirteen is an awesome cuddler! They may prefer to be the only dogs in the home, but with these two adorable pups, why would you need more? If you are interested in meeting

Thirteen and Number 4, please email the Animal Shelter at animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Volunteer Opportunity in Sully



Work Day at Mt. Gilead

Work Day in the yard at Mt. Gilead (**5634 Mount Gilead Road, Centreville, VA 20121**) is on **Saturday, September 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Bring work gloves, sturdy shoes, a rake if you have one, and/or a wheelbarrow. Lunch will be provided and served at 12:30 p.m. Pre-registration is not required, but an RSVP is appreciated. This is part of the quarterly clean-up days requested by the Park Authority. Good for school community service hours as well! If you have questions, please contact Ted McCord at 703-988-9535.
