



## A message from Kathy Smith

I trust that everyone is enjoying the reprieve from the sweltering heat. If you have ventured out in Chantilly, you may have noticed the progress made at the future site of the Wegmans in Westfields. The outer shell for the Wegmans and one of the retail buildings are going up quickly and if you would like to follow the progress of this project from the convenience of your home, below is a link to a live video stream of the site that also includes time lapse photos.

<https://app.truelook.com/?u=rc1494347370>

At the July 11, 2017 Board of Supervisors meeting I voted to approve an application to amend the zoning for the parcel of land adjacent to the Wegmans site. The new mixed use development provides for 120 single family attached dwelling units, 112 multi-family stacked townhomes, and 100,000 square feet of retail that includes a movie theater and eating establishments. This zoning with the Wegmans will transform this site into a sense of place and add a vibrant amenity to our community.

Sincerely,

*Kathy*

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# Information About Upcoming Special Election

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On **August 29, 2017** there will be a Special Election to fill a vacancy for an At-Large School Board Member for the remainder of the present term of office which expires January 1, 2020.

Information regarding the Special Election is below:

- [Voter Photo ID Requirements](#)
- [Do you know where you vote?](#)
- **July 14:** In-Person Absentee Voting Begins
- **Aug 15:** Voter Registration Deadline 5:00 p.m., Online: 11:59 p.m.
- **Aug 22:** Deadline to Apply for an Absentee Ballot by Mail, 5:00 p.m.
- **Aug 26:** Final Day In-Person Absentee Voting
- **Aug 29:** Absentee Ballot Return Deadline, 7:00 p.m.

**Sample Ballots: (All ballots include English, Spanish, Vietnamese and Korean languages)**

- [Member, School Board At-Large .pdf](#)

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***Voter Registration:*** If you are already registered at your current address, you do not need to register again.

**For more information, please visit:**

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/upcoming.htm>.

# Solar Eclipse Tips: Enjoy the View (Safely) on August 21

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What are you doing on **Monday, August 21, at 2:42 p.m.?**

You may have heard about the solar eclipse that will be traversing across the U.S. that day – it is the first total solar eclipse in the continental U.S. in 38 years. The eclipse, when the moon will completely cover the sun, will stretch from Lincoln Beach, Oregon, to Charleston, South Carolina. Although Fairfax County is not in the path of the total eclipse, we will be treated to a partial solar eclipse. **Our maximum eclipse will be at 2:42 p.m. when the sun will be about 80 percent covered, although some of the eclipse will be visible from 1:17 pm to 4:01 p.m.**

## Events in Our County:

There are a whopping 375 solar eclipse-related programs being offered countywide. Both our [Park Authority](#) and [Library](#) have planned several events for adults and kids to learn more about this exciting event. Many events are already full (with waiting lists) but here are a few free events for

you to consider:

**Saturday, July 29 -**

[Darkness at Noon](#) **at Sully Historic Site**, noon to 1 p.m. – In this special history program, learn about the history of solar eclipses and how those living in our county in the 1850s may have experienced eclipses. We will also show you how to make your own pinhole box viewers (safe for viewing eclipses).

**Sunday, August 20 -**

[Safely See the Great American Eclipse](#) **at Cub Run ReCenter**, 2 to 3 p.m. – Learn about the science behind eclipses what causes them and why they are so rare in our area. You will also learn about the many ways to safely view the eclipse on Aug. 21. Program attendees receive a free pair of solar viewing shades.

**Monday, August 21 -**

[Eclipse!](#) **at Pohick Regional Library**, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. – Learn the how and why of the coming eclipse, why glasses are needed to view one and get free eclipse glasses.

[Solar Eclipse](#) **at Patrick Henry Library**, 2 to 3 p.m. – Learn about solar eclipses during The Great American Solar Eclipse! Presented in collaboration with the George Mason University Observatory.

[Learn More About Events at Parks](#)

[Learn More About Events at Libraries](#)

**Read About the Eclipse:**

You still have time to learn more about eclipses at home with a selection of books for all ages from our library branches. Here are some suggestions:

- [Totality: The Great American Eclipses of 2017 and 2024](#)
- [Sun, Moon, Earth: The History of Solar Eclipses From Omens of Doom to Einstein and Exoplanets](#)
- [Eclipse: Journeys to the Dark Side of the Moon](#)

## **Look For Solar Eclipse Books**

### **How to Safely Watch the Eclipse:**

Watching the eclipse is an exciting and once-in-a-lifetime event! However, our Health Department encourages you to take steps to protect your eyes. Even during a partial eclipse (which is how we'll see it in our area), viewing a solar eclipse without proper eye protection can cause "eclipse blindness" or retinal burns, also known as solar retinopathy. You can damage your eyes if you are not using proper safety equipment to view the eclipse. **Wearing ordinary sunglasses (or even multiple pairs) will not provide adequate eye protection.** Talk with your eye care professional to determine the best viewing option for you. Some options include:

- Using special-purpose solar filters, such as "eclipse glasses."
- Using [Pinhole projectors and other projection techniques](#) as an indirect viewing technique for observing an image of the sun.

## **Make A Virginia Pinhole Projector**

Do not look at the uneclipsed or partially eclipsed sun through an unfiltered camera, telescope, binoculars or other optical device. Similarly, do not look at the sun through a camera, a telescope, binoculars or any other optical device while using your eclipse glasses or hand-held solar viewer. The concentrated solar rays will damage the filter and enter your eye(s), causing

serious injury. Should you experience any eye pain or changes in vision after viewing a solar eclipse, see an eye care professional right away.

More information and safe viewing options are available from [NASA](#), the [American Astronomical Society](#), and [Prevent Blindness](#).

### **What If It Rains on August 21?:**

Fear not, if the weather does not cooperate in our area on August 21, you can still watch the eclipse. NASA will have live video streams of the total solar eclipse from NASA television and locations across the country.

[Watch NASA Live Stream](#)

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## Upcoming Events at Centreville Regional Library

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### **Beauty and the Beast:**

Hampstead Stage presents this classic tale brought to life by professional actors. Cosponsored by the Friends of the George Mason Regional Library.

**Date: Saturday, July 29, 2017**

**Time: 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.**

Location: CE Mtg Rm 1 & CE Mtg Rm 2

Age: 6-12

### **Fraud Watch: Protect Yourself from Fraud and Identity Theft:**

This AARP Fraud Watch Network presentation will provide you with tips and resources to help you spot and identity theft and fraud.

**Date: Monday, July 31, 2017**

**Time: 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.**

Location: CE Mtg Rm 1 & CE Mtg Rm 2

Age: Adults

### **Survival Strategies:**



Meet animals with amazing abilities to survive camouflage and escape from danger. Presented by Leesburg Animal Park. Cosponsored by the Friends of the George Mason Regional Library.

**Date: Wednesday, August 2, 2017**

**Time: 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.**

Location: CE Mtg Rm 1 & CE Mtg Rm 2

Age: 6-12

**For more information, and to register for an event, please visit:**

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

## CSB's Mobile Crisis Units Bring Emergency Mental Health Services Into the Community

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In September 2016, thanks to local funding and support, the [Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board](#) (CSB) realized a long-held dream and launched a second “[Mobile Crisis Unit](#),” or “MCU,” expanding its ability to provide on-the-scene emergency mental health services in crisis situations in the community, including emergencies when individuals are unable or unwilling to come to the CSB emergency services office.

Each MCU is staffed by a rotating team of CSB emergency services personnel who travel to the emergency scene in a county car. The primary MCU (“MCU 1”) has a two-person team for each shift and operates 7 days a week, from 8:00 a.m. to midnight. The second MCU (“MCU 2”) provides one additional staff member (and vehicle) five days a week (Monday – Friday), from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. The one-person MCU can respond to emergencies in settings that are relatively safe, such as a hospital or jail. This frees up the two-person MCU 1 to respond to situations in higher risk environments, where having a partner is critical.

Launching the second MCU has been an important goal of the county’s

[“Diversion First”](#) initiative, which offers alternatives to incarceration for people with mental illness and other disabilities who come into contact with the criminal justice system for low-level offenses.

In addition to responding to requests from individuals and families in the community, the MCUs respond to emergency requests from police and other law enforcement agencies, community colleges, schools, the CIA, Fort Belvoir, Homeland Security, the FBI, the Secret Service, Dulles Airport, and local hospitals. MCU staff is on call 24/7 to respond to hostage/barricade situations and major emergencies in the region when emergency mental health expertise is required, such as occurred at the Pentagon after 9/11. The MCUs also respond to requests for assistance from other Fairfax County government agencies.

The MCU can be particularly effective in helping individuals who are hesitant about seeking mental health services.

To contact [CSB Emergency Services](#) (and the Mobile Crisis Unit) call 703-573-5679. CSB Emergency Services is available 24/7, 365 days a year, and is located at the [Merrifield Center](#), 8221 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, Fairfax, VA 22031.

# Drink Up! Our Tap Water Quality in Fairfax County



Turning on the tap and having an affordable, reliable source of high-quality water is something most of us take for granted in Fairfax County. Taking care of our water is a joint effort by the [county](#) and [Fairfax Water](#), as well as other local, state, and federal entities. The team of approximately 400 employees at Fairfax Water is responsible for the water that comes into your home for drinking, cooking, washing, etc.

Pour yourself a glass of water and learn more about what you are drinking.

## **How Is My Water Quality?:**

Our water quality in Fairfax County is excellent. As a Fairfax Water customer, the water you drink consistently surpasses all federal and state standards. Fairfax Water tests for approximately 177 compounds, including nitrates (runoff from fertilizers) and fluoride (additive to promote dental health.) The testing is done by Fairfax Water's Water Quality Laboratory.

## **What about lead?:**

Our sources for water do not contain lead and Fairfax Water's distribution system does not contain lead pipe. However, if you have an older home built before 1986,

your plumbing may contain some lead. If you have concerns about the plumbing in your home affecting the lead levels in your water, contact Fairfax Water's Customer Service Department at 703-698-5800 (TTY 711) for information about lead-level testing.

### **Where Does My Water Come From?:**

Fairfax Water draws raw water from two primary sources: the Potomac River and the Occoquan Reservoir, which is fed by the Occoquan River. The four plants that treat your water feed an interconnected distribution system. The Frederick P. Griffith Jr. plant treats water from the Occoquan Reservoir and the three other facilities treat water from the Potomac, including the James J. Corbalis Jr., McMillan, and Dalecarlia plants.

### **How Is Our Water Treated?:**

All four of the water treatment plants use advanced technologies and practices in drinking-water treatment, which is the process of cleaning raw water to make it safe for you to drink. A summary of the treatment, includes these steps:

1. Untreated water enters the treatment plants and coagulants are added to cause small particles to adhere to one another, become heavy and settle in a sedimentation basin.
2. Water is then filtered through activated carbon and sand to remove the remaining fine particles and disinfected with chlorine to kill harmful bacteria and viruses.
3. Additional steps include adding fluoride and treatments to remove taste or odor-causing compounds.

### **Want to Know More?:**

[Read Fairfax Water's 2017 Water Quality Report](#)

## Seasonal Defoliators

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**Orange striped oakworm (*Anisota senatoria*):** native moth, feeds on oak trees in late summer/early fall.

**Diagnostics:** Leaves will be completely stripped except for mid-ribs (or “veins”), usually will be isolated to specific branches or sections of the tree. Will occur in late summer, early fall. Does not pose much threat to the trees because trees are preparing to lose their leaves for winter and are not depending on them as heavily for food as they would in the spring or early summer.

**Treatment:** Treatment usually is not warranted for this pest because it occurs later in the year when trees are not as stressed by defoliation. Affected branches may be pruned if unsightly.

**More information about trees is here:**

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/environmental/ufmdmain.htm> or call the Fairfax County Urban Forest Management Division (UFMD) at 703-324-1770, TTY 711.

## Bear Sightings in Chantilly

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Police have been notified that a black bear was seen walking through a cul-de-sac on General Stevens Court, Chantilly, VA on the evening of July 26, 2017.

Bears typically avoid humans, but may wander into suburban areas in their search for food. The most common food attractants are bird feeders, garbage, beehives, and pet food. Grills, livestock feeds, and compost can also attract bears. When human-related foods become available to bears, problems may occur. Bears that learn to associate food with people can cause property damage in their search for food and may lose their natural fear of humans. If addressed quickly, situations can be resolved almost immediately by removing the food source. After a few failed attempts to find food around homes, bears will usually leave the area in search of their natural wild foods.

You can help manage the bear population by keeping your property clear of food attractants to prevent problems from occurring in the first place.

- Remove bird feeders and keep them down for 3-4 weeks if a bear is in the area.
- Secure your garbage. Store garbage indoors, in a shed, garage, or in a bear-proof container.
- Put garbage out on the morning of pickup, not the night before, or take it to the dump frequently.
- Pick up pet food. Feed pets only what they will eat in a single feeding or feed them indoors. Remove all uneaten food. Do not leave food out overnight.
- Do not put meat scraps in the compost pile. Keep compost away from the house.
- Pick up and remove ripe fruit from fruit trees and surrounding grounds.
- Clean the grill often. Do not dump drippings in your yard. Run the grill an extra 5 minutes to burn off grease.
- Install electric fencing to protect beehives, dumpsters, gardens, compost piles, or other potential food sources (must comply with county ordinances).
- Don't store food, freezers, refrigerators, or trash on porches.
- Talk to your neighbors. Make sure your neighbors and community are aware of the ways to prevent conflicts with bears.

Often a bear in your yard is just passing through and, if it finds no food, will simply move on. If you encounter a bear, stay calm, back away slowly and do not approach the bear. Do not run or make sudden movements. Give the bear plenty of room to escape. If a bear huffs or "woofs," clacks its teeth, growls, slaps the ground, or bluff charges, it is warning you that you are too close.



For information on safety precautions and measures to reduce encounters with black bears, please see the Fairfax County Police Department's Bear Aware message at <https://fcpdnews.wordpress.com/2017/04/04/be-bear-aware-its-the-season-for-bear-sightings/> and the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries at <https://www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlife/bear/>.

## Learn about Your Community!

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Learn more about Sully District and our community since it was chartered as a town in 1792 (prior to that, Centreville was a village known as “Newgate”). The oldest written historic relic in Fairfax County, the 1737 Willoughby Newton boundary stone, was unearthed in Centreville and is now on display in the Sully District office. Join us in the Centreville Historic Park for the 25th anniversary of Centreville Day on Saturday, October 21, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Spaces still available for vendors and sponsors.

Find more information and applications at

<http://www.historiccentrevilleva.org>.

## FCPS Is Looking for a Few Good Bus Drivers

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Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) is searching for full-time bus drivers to join its force of 1,200 drivers who drive more than 16,000,000 miles each year. **A bus driver job fair will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Friday, August 11, at Stonecroft Transportation Center.** Transportation staff members will be on site to answer questions and provide information to prospective drivers.

Currently, FCPS has 85 openings for bus drivers.

FCPS full-time bus drivers earn \$18.82 per hour plus benefits that include retirement, health, and dental plans; life and disability insurance; six paid non-working days; and a paid training program. Drivers are able to bring infant and preschool age children on the bus with them, resulting in savings of child care costs. FCPS also offers a Savings for Staff program that provides discounts from select merchants for staff members.

Morning shifts usually run from 6:00 to 9:30 a.m. and afternoon shifts run from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. Full-time drivers work a minimum of 25 hours a week.

Additional weekly hours are available.

In order to qualify to work as a bus driver with FCPS, applicants must be at least 21 years old; have a good driving record; pass a physical exam, drug screening, and background check; complete a five-week training program, take the commercial driver's license road test, and obtain a commercial driver's license.

Advancement opportunities are available, as are summer hours.

For more information, call 571-423-3000, visit [Bus Driver Employment Opportunities](#), or email [driveforfcps.edu](mailto:driveforfcps.edu).

**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](http://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](http://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](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performance)





# TANGLES

Saturday, August 12

7:00 pm | Doors open at 6:00 pm



## *One Disease, One Family, One Night.*

Written and directed by visiting scholar Jeffrey Steiger and produced by SMHS faculty Charles Samenow, MD, MPH, "TANGLES," is a dynamic musical play and a multidisciplinary educational and outreach initiative that uniquely fuses traditional theatrical storytelling with research. The production engages healthcare providers, patients, families, and caregivers in dialogue, education, and healing related to the impact of neurocognitive disorders.

### THE STORY.

The story focuses around Gwendolyn Taylor, who has been an inspiration and loving presence in the life of her sixteen-year-old granddaughter, Tyler. But, as her grandmother succumbs to Alzheimer's, Tyler's growing sense of isolation looms larger. The past and present intermingle in this entertaining musical theater production that explores aging, family, and the challenges faced by both patients and health professionals.

"TANGLES" tells the story of a family during one pivotal night as they come to terms with their roles as sons, daughters, and siblings living with an aging family member. Through music, media, and a dynamic design, the production shows how memories and the past are interconnected in ways that both fragment and bring together families in the toughest moments.

"TANGLES" is based on medical research, patient narratives and the experience of healthcare professionals. The production is a unique and rich opportunity for health professionals, families, caregivers, and community members to identify the challenges associated with caring for families and their loved ones in context of the healthcare system.

### DETAILS

The production will be held at the Harris Theater at George Mason University at 7:00 pm. Doors will open at 6:00, and a discussion will follow from 8:00 to 8:30 pm.

### LOCATION

Harris Theater  
(near Mason Pond parking deck)  
George Mason University  
Fairfax, VA 22030

### TICKETS

Tickets are \$10 each.  
Tickets are available online at  
<http://purchase.tickets.com/buy/TicketPurchase?orgid=42970&pid=8465593>

### QUESTIONS?

Please contact Cathy Tompkins  
at [ctompkin@gmu.edu](mailto:ctompkin@gmu.edu) or  
703-993-2838.

Many thanks to the Virginia Geriatric Education Center,  
as well as AARP, Fairfax County, Insight Memory Care Center, and George Mason for helping to sponsor this event!



## Animal Shelter Corner

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### Meet Mrs. Joy Butterworth!

**Age:** 3 years

**Gender:** Female

**Color:** Brown / White

**Spayed/Neutered:** Yes

**Size:** Medium

Mrs. Joy Butterworth... that yellow flower is a simply smashing addition to your wardrobe. But for real, isn't Joy a doll?! She's roughly three years old and weighs just 50 pounds, so she's very portable. Which is great, because she wants to go everywhere with you!! She loves going for walks and is a perfect patio dog, waiting patiently under your chair while you eat dinner out a restaurant with friends. She really likes to watch birds and squirrels (and may try to give chase, so hold on tight to her leash!), but her favorite thing to watch is you. She's so attentive! Her weekend foster mom says she's a Velcro dog and even tried to follow her into the bathroom! If you're looking for a pint-sized pup to be your new BFF, Joy could be just the ticket. If you are interested in meeting Joy, please email the animal shelter at [animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov).

# Volunteer Opportunity in Sully

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## **Circulation Workroom Volunteer (Centreville Regional Library)**

Responds to the needs of the Circulation Department, providing support processing materials and performing other workroom duties.

### **Duties:**

May assist with any of the following, or similar tasks: processing returns, book drop and daily delivery of materials; completing customer maintenance; searching for items to be reserved for library customers; processing periodicals and newspapers. Electronically reports volunteer hours promptly and accurately.

### **Qualifications:**

Ability to operate computer equipment quickly and efficiently, with minimum training. General familiarity with libraries. Ability to lift books weighing 10 lbs. Ability to push and pull full book bins and book carts. Ability to perform repetitive hand, arm, wrist and shoulder movements. Ability to stoop, bend and reach. Must be able to be physically active for two hours.

**Minimum Age to Volunteer:** 18

**Time Commitment:** You will be expected to volunteer 2 hours per week for



1 year.

**Location:**

14200 St. Germain Drive  
Centreville, VA 20121

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