



Dranesville Happenings

July 2014

Announcements and Upcoming Activities in and Around the Dranesville District



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Welcome to the Dranesville Happenings, providing you with information about upcoming events and activities around the County and in the Dranesville District.

EVENTS

July 3 and Summer Thursday Nights: Evenings on the Ellipse

Chairman Sharon Bulova Sponsors Free Summer Concert Series

Another exciting season of the Chairman's *Evenings on the Ellipse* kicks off on **July 3** with bluegrass music and Bill Emerson & Sweet Dixie. The series continues through the summer.

Event details:

Thursdays from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Fairfax County Government Center
(*Ellipse located behind building*)
12000 Government Center Parkway
Fairfax

Free wine tastings for concert audiences are back, with Paradise Spring and Bull Run Wineries. For more information, including this summer's schedule, visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/downloads/ellipseflyerweb.pdf>

July 4: Fireworks Show at Langley High School

Presented by McLean Community Center

The McLean Community Center's (MCC) annual **Independence Day Celebration** is back.

Event details:

Friday, July 4.

Grounds open at 8:00 p.m. Show begins at approximately 9:15 p.m.

Langley High School Sports Fields

6520 Georgetown Pike

McLean

Admission and parking are free.

Smoking, pets, fireworks, sparklers and alcohol are not allowed on school grounds.

Rain date: Saturday, July 5, at 8:30 p.m.

A free shuttle bus service will be available from St. John's Episcopal Church (6715 Georgetown Pike) and MCC (1234 Ingleside Ave.), beginning at 7 p.m. A handicap-accessible bus will be available at both sites.

For more information, call 703-790-0123, TTY: 711, or visit: www.mcleancenter.org.

July 4: Town of Herndon July 4th Celebration

Featuring Fireworks, Activities and Lots of Free Fun

This year's Independence day festivities will feature a fabulous fireworks display, arts and crafts activities, bingo, and more. Throughout the evening, food will be on sale. Help with recycling efforts by bringing your own water bottle for free refills from our giant 125 gallon Water Monster. At 7:15 p.m. hear the band The Plaids, with songs and musical styles from the 80's, 90's and 2000's. At 9:30 p.m., enjoy the fireworks display choreographed to music.

Event Details:

Friday, July 4, 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Herndon Community Center

814 Ferndale Avenue and Bready Park

Herndon

Open to the public

Free Admission

Rain date: July 5 for fireworks display only

The Herndon Community Center is open for all users on July 4th until 6 p.m.

Event tips:

- Leave pets at home.
- Parking is available at Herndon Middle School, Herndon Community Center or the municipal parking lot next to Artspace on Center Street. Please note cars parked in the Herndon Community Center/Bready Park parking lot will not be released until the Fire Marshal declares the area safe.
- Bring a blanket or lawn chair.
- Remember all coolers and bags may be searched... No alcohol or glass containers or personal fireworks allowed.
- For your safety, the Fire Marshal prohibits anyone on the Herndon Centennial Golf Course from 8:30 until 10:30 p.m.
- For fireworks viewing only, park at the Station Street municipal parking lot and watch from either the Herndon Municipal Center or Town Hall greens.

Please note traffic will be rerouted. Motorists should expect detours and alteration of traffic routes before, during and at the conclusion of the fireworks display at Bready Park for up to 60 minutes, or until traffic clears. Those parked at Herndon Community Center

may not exit the parking lot until the Fire Marshal gives the all clear which can be as much as 45 minutes following the fireworks show.

Ferndale Avenue will close to through traffic from Vine Street to Barton Oaks Place once the event parking lots are full, and will remain closed until the conclusion of the fireworks. (Herndon Centennial Golf Course access is available until the course closes.)

Event tips:

- Leave pets at home.
- Parking is available at Herndon Middle School, Herndon Community Center or the municipal parking lot next to Artspace on Center Street. Please note cars parked in the Herndon Community Center/Bready Park parking lot will not be released until the Fire Marshal declares the area safe.
- Bring a blanket or lawn chair.
- Remember all coolers and bags may be searched...no alcohol or glass containers or personal fireworks allowed.
- For your safety, the Fire Marshal prohibits anyone on the Herndon Centennial Golf Course from 8:30 - 10:30 p.m., July 4.
- For fireworks viewing only, park at the Station Street municipal parking lot and watch from either the Herndon Municipal Center or Town Hall greens.

For more information call The Town of Herndon Parks and Recreation Department at 703-787-7300.

July 4: Great Falls 4th of July Hometown Celebration and Parade

****** *There will be NO Fireworks this year* ******

Sponsored by Celebrate Great Falls Foundation

Join in the festivities with Great Falls residents at the 4th of July **Great Falls Hometown Celebration and Parade!**

Event details:

Friday, July 4 beginning at 8:00 a.m.
Georgetown Pike & Walker Road
Great Falls

Schedule of Festivities:

8:00 a.m. 5K Walk/Run ~ Great Falls Freedom Memorial

The Great Falls Trailblazers are bringing the Annual 5K Walk/Run to our local trails. Meet at the Freedom Memorial on the Library grounds. From there, go off-road on the Lucy Hanes Trail, along Arnon Chapel and past Great Falls Elementary before heading back to the Freedom Memorial. Register the morning of.

8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. INOVA Blood Drive ~ Great Falls Volunteer Fire Department

Give Blood. Everyone who completes the donor screening procedure will receive a free

Donor T-shirt! Photo ID required. Allow 1 hour for donor visit.

9:00 a.m. Little Patriot Parade ~ Village Centre Green (at the Gazebo)

Babies and Toddlers up to age 5 are welcome to parade their finest patriotic display around the Green. Awards for "Young George Washington," Little Miss Betsy Ross," and "The Star Spangled Family." 9:00 a.m. *Registration at the Gazebo ~ 9:15 a.m. Little Patriot Parade start.*

10:00 a.m. Main Parade at Great Falls Village Centre

See the floats, horses, antique cars and pets making a loop in the Main Parade. Be sure to spot the winning floats for Best Neighborhood, Best Business and Best Organization!

[Click here to Register for the Parade](#)

[Click here for the Parade Route](#)

10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Festivities, Food & Fun ~ Village Centre Green

After the parade, enjoy burgers, dogs and snowcones along with music, field games and festivities on the Village Centre Green with your Great Falls neighbors.

For weather cancellations or additional information call 571-293-0474 or visit

www.celebrateGreatFalls.org. [Click here to Volunteer](#).

July 5: Great Falls Senior Center Presents Sliders Barbershop Quartet

Tap your foot and hum along with the Sliders Quartet. The Great Falls Senior Center's July program is offering good old-fashioned barbershop entertainment with a light-hearted touch and a friendly sense of humor.

Event details:

Saturday, July 5 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Dranesville Church of the Brethren

11500 Leesburg Pike

Herndon

This program includes lunch.

A modest contribution of \$5 is appreciated.

This event is being sponsored by The Tell Me Town Foundation, a non-profit organization that provides education for families on important health topics like stroke, cancer, rehabilitation and more through a book series and associated programs. The books are created with prominent doctors and other health professional from our area.

Reservations are a must. To reserve, email Polly Fitzgerald at pollyfitz1@verizon.net or call 703-759-4345 (you may leave a message).

Through July 12: Public Comment Period on Coordinated Human Service

Transportation Plan

The National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) is updating its Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan in order to guide funding decisions for the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA's) new Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program.

A 30-day public comment period is being held on the key elements of the update to the Plan, including the competitive selection framework. **The comment period began on Thursday, June 12 and will close at midnight on Saturday, July 12, 2014.**

The TPB will be asked to approve the key elements of the Plan at their meeting on July 16, 2014. Following the TPB's approval, a grant solicitation for the new Enhanced Mobility funds is anticipated to take place between August and October. The TPB will be asked to approve the entire Update to the Coordinated Plan document in September.

The following items are available for review and comment:

[Briefing on the Key Elements of the Updated Coordinated Plan Coordinated Human Service Transportation](#) - as approved in 2009

Comments may be submitted online at mwcog.org/transportation/public/.

For more information about the Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan and its development, please visit TPBcoordination.org.

July 19 and August 9: McLean AAUW 45th Annual Used Book Collections

In preparation for its 45th Annual Used Book Sale to be held September 19 through 21, the McLean Area AAUW has two remaining used book collection Saturdays.

Highly desirable contributions include musical CDs as well as DVDs of television series and movies; recent editions of histories, including military histories, biographies, political analyses, gardening, health, general literature and business and economics books. Also needed are travel books published since 2009 and, as always, treasured collectibles and special art books, mystery stories, children's and general interest adult books.

Collection event details:

Saturday July 19 and August 9

from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Sun Trust Bank

515 Maple Avenue East

Vienna

Please note that the collection hours are shorter than in previous years and books cannot be left at the Bank outside of the collection hours.

Sale proceeds support professional development and scholarships for women.

For more information send an email to aauwbookfair@gmail.com or call 703-527-4206.

July 26: Opening of Silver Line Metro Phase I

Rail service to begin at noon

Metro General Manager and CEO Richard Sarles has announced the opening date for Silver Line services as Saturday, July 26. The stations will open to customers at noon, when the first Silver Line train will depart Wiehle-Reston East, bound for Largo Town Center. **Five new stations will be added to the system: McLean, Tysons Corner, Greensboro, Spring Hill and Wiehle-Reston East.**

The announcement of an opening date follows two weeks of progress by the Airports Authority and their contractor to resolve open work items. Sarles noted that there are still remaining items - such as obtaining Certificates of Occupancy - that are expected to be resolved prior to the opening date.

Silver Line trains will operate between Reston and Largo at the same frequency as most other lines. During rush hours, trains will run every 6 minutes; at off-peak times, trains will run every 12 to 20 minutes.

To finalize employee familiarization and confirm schedules, Metro plans to conduct a week of "simulated service," starting Sunday, July 20. During the service simulation, Silver Line trains will run on the system without carrying passengers to or from the five new stations. However, the "simulation" trains *will* carry passengers between East Falls Church and Largo Town Center.

As a result of Silver Line service, riders at stations from East Falls Church to Court House will see trains arrive more frequently at all times, and riders from Rosslyn to Stadium-Armory will notice more frequent service outside rush hours. On the Blue Line, trains will operate every 12 minutes at all times of the day, and during rush hours, trains at Vienna, Dunn Loring and West Falls Church, will arrive and depart every 6 minutes.

Riders can check fares and travel times, get station information and learn more about the project by visiting silverlinemetro.com.

Metro took control of the first phase of the Silver Line on May 27. The milestone, known as the "Operational Readiness Date" (ORD), marked the point where care and control of the line was formally transferred from the Airports Authority to Metro.

Through July 28: Public Comment Period on Draft Resident Curator Implementation Study

A draft implementation study supporting the establishment of a Resident Curator Program (RCP) in Fairfax County is now available online for review and comment. Comments may be made during the 30-day public comment period ending on July 28 through the web site form at fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/resident-curator-program.htm or via Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov with the subject Resident Curator Study. All comments will be considered and added to the record.

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors directed Park Authority and Department of Planning and Zoning staff to work with the Fairfax County History Commission to evaluate how a RCP would work in the county. To that end, the county contracted with John Milner Associates, Inc. (JMA) to deliver a program implementation package identifying what it will take to execute and maintain a successful RCP in Fairfax County.

Resident curator programs identify publicly-owned historic properties with no immediate or practical public use and through an open and competitive process, select outside parties with skills, resources and vision to rehabilitate a property in accordance with accepted preservation standards for historic buildings. In exchange for rehabilitating the property, the curator gains use of the property and pays little or no rent.

A program in Fairfax County would potentially provide a fiscally responsible means to put many of the county's historic properties back into use. Curators would be required to provide opportunities for the public to visit and tour the properties in order to appreciate and understand their historic and architectural significance.

The final study is expected to be completed by early fall 2014.

August 2 and 3: Tysons-Pimmit Library Book Sale

Donations Welcome

Friends of the Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library is holding a book sale to benefit the Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library on August 2 and 3. Choose from a large selection of books, magazines, DVDs and other media for all ages.

Event details:

Saturday, August 2, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library

7584 Leesburg Pike

Falls Church

(Bag Sale/Clearance will be on Sunday, August 3, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

The library is also accepting donated media.

For more information please visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/friends/ty/>, email TysonsLibraryFriends@gmail.com or call 703-790-4031.

August 19: State Managed Shelter Exercise Needs Actor-Victim Volunteers

The Fairfax County Health Department is participating in an exercise being coordinated by the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS), the state's lead agency for emergency shelters, to test the ability to open and run an emergency shelter to house evacuees displaced from another part of the state after a major hurricane. This test shelter will be located at George Mason University. VDSS is seeking 200 actor-victims to participate in this exercise and simulate the evacuees who would be relocated to the shelter.

Event details:

Tuesday, August 19
12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. OR 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
(Please only register for one shift)
George Mason University
Fairfax

All are welcome but those under the age of 18 need to be accompanied by a parent/guardian. (Minors must register individually and must be present with parent/guardian at all times during the exercise.)

To register visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c44a9af22abfc1-actor>

For more information, contact Samantha Brann of the Medical Reserve Corps at 703-246-8636 or visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mrc>.

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County Expanding E-Waste Recycling Services *Daily drop off at County complexes replaces Electric Sundays*

Beginning on July 1, obsolete electronic waste (e-waste) recycling services at both the [I-66 and the I-95 Fairfax County solid waste management complexes](#) will expand to provide

service available Monday through Saturday from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Sunday from the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This means that residents will not have to wait until the next scheduled *Electric Sunday* to recycle obsolete electronics. Residents may take the items to either of the county's facilities and deliver it to the area dedicated to the drop-off of electronics where they will be collected for recycling. These improvements are designed to provide convenience to the residents.

The last *Electric Sunday* was held on June 22, 2014. Beginning on Tuesday, July 1, 2014, the SWMP provides drop-off services at both of its operations locations.

For more information please contact Erica Carter in the Solid Waste Management Program at 703-324-5230 or visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/recycling/mat-comp.htm>.

Fake IRS Employee Telephone Scam Continues

Fairfax County Police are seeing a resurgence of fake IRS employee scam phone calls and urge Fairfax County residents to share the information below with family, friends and colleagues to avoid being duped. Police have received dozens of complaints in recent weeks. Take precautions and help educate others.

Don't Fall For Massive Tax Scam

"Your driver's license has been suspended. You will be arrested. You will be deported. We are on our way to your home right now." These are just a few of the many threats that scammers are making against hundreds of Fairfax County residents over the past several weeks. Police warn the public NOT to fall prey to these scammers and to notify police of these criminal incidents.

These telephone scammers are described as demanding, aggressive, threatening, and easily angered when callers don't immediately agree to their demands of "overdue tax balances." Some complainants have described the suspect's as having a heavy accent. Typically, callers demand between \$4,000 to \$6,000 in immediate payment of unpaid tax bills. These scams are sophisticated and involve false names, numbers and "IRS" badge numbers. Suspects often continue to call and harass the recipient.

Police urge residents to:

- Contact IRS if you feel there is any discrepancy with your tax bills.
- Use these numbers to contact IRS if you feel you are being scammed:
<http://www.irs.gov/uac/Telephone-Assistance>
- Be skeptical if someone asks/demands you owe taxes and must pay with a Green Dot Moneypack.
- Report suspicious or harassing calls to police online at
<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/120413citizenreportingsystem.htm>

- Remember, once money has been wired/sent, it is impossible to recover.

More information on common scams may be found at

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/financialcrimes/commonscams.htm>

County Cooling Centers, Cooling Assistance Program and Fan Care Program Offer Respite from the Heat

When temperatures and the heat index are high, there is an increased [risk of heat-related illness](#) for those without air-conditioning or those outdoors for an extended period.

If you work outdoors, especially anyone doing heavy work tasks or using bulky protective clothing and equipment, you should take steps to prevent heat illness:

- Drink water often
- Take breaks
- Limit time in the heat

During extremely hot days, there is plenty that you can do to stay cool, like go to a movie, stroll through a shopping center or visit one of [Fairfax County's Cooling Centers](#):

- [Libraries](#)
- [Community Centers](#)
- [Fairfax County Government Center](#)

Please check the operating hours to ensure the facility is open before arriving. Remember - resting for just two hours in air conditioning can significantly reduce heat-related illnesses.

Residents who need help to keep their home cool may be able to get assistance from [two programs locally administered by the county](#): The Cooling Assistance Program and the Fan Care Program (see inset below).

Anyone overcome by heat should be moved to a cool and shaded location. Heat stroke is an emergency - **call 9-1-1 for immediate, life-saving help.**

Find more information from the [U.S. Occupational Safety & Health Administration](#), the [U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#), the [Virginia Department of Health](#) as well as Fairfax County's [emergency Web page](#)

The Cooling Assistance Program

The **Cooling Assistance** program, a federally funded program, helps eligible low-income households with at least one person considered especially vulnerable to heat: a child under age six, a disabled individual, or an adult age 60 or older. Cooling assistance can be used to help with:

- Payment of electric bills to operate cooling equipment.
- Payment of security deposits for electricity to operate cooling equipment.
- Repair of a central air conditioning system or heat pump.
- Purchase of a whole-house fan, including ceiling or attic fans.
- Purchase and installation of one window unit air conditioner for households where there is no unit or where the unit must be replaced.

Applications for the Cooling Assistance Program will be accepted from June 15 through August 15. For more information or an application form, visit the Virginia Department of Social Services [Cooling Assistance](#) page.

You may also request an application by calling 703-787-3100; TTY: 711.

The Fan Care Program

The **Fan Care** program is another way to help older Fairfax area residents stay safe in the summer heat. This electric fan distribution program, sponsored by Dominion Virginia Power in partnership with the Virginia Department for the Aging, annually provides about 200 free fans and/or window air conditioners to eligible senior adults in the Fairfax area.

To qualify for **Fan Care**, a person must be at least 60 years old, need a fan to prevent heat-related health problems and meet income eligibility requirements. Not everyone in the home needs to be an older adult to qualify for a fan, but all incomes must be counted. There is a limit of one fan per household.

The **Fan Care** program begins on June 1 and runs through the end of September. To request an application, call the Fairfax County's Department of Family Services - Fairfax Area Agency on Aging at 703-324-7694, TTY 703-449-1186.

"Fairfax Alerts" Launched

Provides individualized severe traffic and weather alerts

[Fairfax Alerts](#), the new alert system from Fairfax County, is now live. You are encouraged to **sign up for emergency alerts**, as well as severe traffic and weather alerts customized to your desires.

This [video](#) provided by the [emergency management office](#), shows how simple it is to get alerts.

"If We Can't Reach You, We Can't Alert You"

Here are some of the features of the new Fairfax Alerts:

- Choose to receive traffic updates, emergency alerts and county government notifications.
- Choose automatic weather notifications for up to five geo-targeted locations.
- Set quiet periods for chosen weather alerts.
- Add up to 10 delivery methods such as email, cellphone, home phone and text messages.
- Stay in the know on the go with the mobile application, available via iPhone and Android devices.
- Fairfax Alerts is free. You may incur charges from your cellphone company if you have a per-call or per message limit on your mobile device.

Sign up for Fairfax Alerts today at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/alerts.

CEAN Subscribers

Registered CEAN users are asked to create a new Fairfax Alerts account before Oct. 1 when CEAN accounts will be deleted. CEAN users will continue to receive alerts until Oct. 1 without registering in Fairfax Alerts, but we highly recommends that you sign up for the new system to receive enhanced alerts.

Protect Yourself: Register for a Women's Self Defense Class

Police Offer FREE Women's Self Defense Classes

The Fairfax County Police Department, in partnership with the Fairfax County Law Enforcement Foundation, is holding evening self-defense classes for all women, 13 and older. Brought about by popular demand, these classes fill quickly. They are held bi-weekly from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in various locations throughout Fairfax County, and are FREE of charge.

Classes involve instruction on topics of risk awareness, risk reduction, crime prevention strategies, as well as hands-on training in physical defense techniques. This is not a martial arts course. Attendees will have the chance to test their skills in a controlled environment and will practice their new skills using realistic scenarios.

Find course details, and [online registration](#), on the Women's Self Defense Training page at <http://fairfaxfoundation.org>.

The following are upcoming dates/locations. Registrations are limited and classes may fill quickly.

- July 15 and 17 - Floris Elementary School, 2708 Centreville Rd, Herndon
- August 12 and 14 - Longfellow Middle School, 2000 Westmoreland St, Falls Church
- September 9 and 11 - Key Middle School, 6402 Franconia Rd, Springfield
- October 14 and 16 - Glasgow Middle School, 4101 Fairfax Parkway, Alexandria
- November 11 and 13 - Powell Elementary School, 13340 Leland Rd, Centreville
- December 9 and 11 - Belle View Elementary School, 6701 Fort Hunt Rd, Alexandria

Don't be a victim; learn valuable safety and protection skills that could save your life.

Consider Becoming an Auxiliary Police Officer

Are you interested in assisting law enforcement officers? Do you have what it takes to meet the high standards to become an FCPD Auxiliary Police Officer? Learn more about the duties and rewards of becoming one of these essential volunteer officers.

The Fairfax County Auxiliary Police Unit is currently accepting applications to become an Auxiliary Police Officer (APO). The next APO Basic Academy is set to begin in January 2015.

What do Auxiliary Police Officers do?

- Augment patrol officers
- Cover officers on traffic stops/traffic control at crash scenes/crime scene security
- Assist during community events
- Assist during DWI check point events
- May be assigned to various police units such as animal control, court liaison and criminal investigations

To learn more about becoming an APO, call 703-280-0576, E-mail

AuxiliaryPolice@FairfaxCounty.gov or visit

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/jobs/auxiliarypoliceofficer.htm>.

2014 Arrowbrook Park Concert Series

*Presented by Ruth and Hal Launders Charitable Trust and
Fairfax County Park Authority*

Concert details:

Saturday Evenings in June and July from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Arrowbrook Centre Park H

2351 Field Point Rd.

Herndon

Performance schedule:

July 5: The Back Roads Band (Country)

July 12: The United States Army Blues (Jazz)

July 19: The United States Air Force "Max Impact" (Light Classics/Pop)

July 26: Big Daddy Stallings & The Bluez Evolution Band (Blues & Soul)

For rain cancellation update call 703-24-SHOW (7469) one hour prior to the start of the show. For more information please visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances

New VDOT Web Portal Tracks Road Projects

Interactive maps showing latest paving conditions and construction projects

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has launched a new interactive portal, www.Virginiaroads.org, that provides a one-stop information source to VDOT data and projects.

An important feature of this new portal are interactive maps showing current and planned road construction projects included in VDOT's Six-Year Improvement Program as well as pavement conditions and resurfacing projects. Some of the data made available through this app is in response to requests by Virginia broadband providers to have greater visibility and earlier notice regarding road construction and repair projects. Providing access to this data will facilitate coordination between VDOT and broadband providers seeking to build new infrastructure.

Virginiaroads.org features a series of interactive maps in a central online location. One of the maps displays current construction projects, projects in the design phase, projects scheduled to go to construction and future projects. Projects can be searched via project stage, location, route or street name and the project identification number as it is listed in the Six-Year Improvement Program.

Another map shows pavement conditions, with colors identifying whether a section of pavement is in excellent, good, fair or poor condition. You can click on a section of pavement to find out more details on resurfacing projects.

Virginiaroads.org has other maps, some of which are interactive, including:

- 511 real-time traffic information
- Park and ride lots
- Snow plowing status
- Virginia toll facilities
- Major road construction
- Highway safety corridors
- Truck routes
- Scenic roads
- Bicycling maps
- Capital trail
- State map

- City maps

For more information, please visit virginiaroads.org.

Volunteering: Fairfax County Division of Adult and Aging Services

Volunteer Solutions of Fairfax County Division of Adult and Aging Services provides meaningful volunteer opportunities to improve the lives of older adults and adults with disabilities in Fairfax County. To volunteer for any of the following positions, please complete an online registration form at

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/volunteer/VolReg/VolunteerRegistration.aspx>.

- Volunteer **advocates for residents of nursing homes and assistant living facilities** are needed throughout Northern Virginia. Contact lisa.callahan@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-324-5861. Find out more about the Northern Virginia Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ltombudsman.
- **Fairfax County's Respite Care Volunteers** give family caregivers of a frail older adults a well-deserved break so they can go shopping, attend a doctor's appointment or just have coffee with a friend. Volunteers visit and oversee the safety of the older adult for a few hours each month. Support and training are provided. Contact Kristin Martin at 703-324-7577, TTY 711, or Kristin.Martin@fairfaxcounty.gov.

For more information about the following opportunities, please call 703-324-5406, TTY 711, email VolunteerSolutions@FairfaxCounty.gov or visit fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults and follow the link to "Volunteer Solutions".

- The **Herndon Senior Center**, 873 Grace Street, **Herndon**, needs a volunteer **mosaic instructor** and **knitting instructor**.
- The **Lewinsville Senior Center**, 1609 Great Falls Street, **McLean**, needs a certified volunteer **Zumba instructor** and an **office assistant**.
- Fairfax County needs volunteer **On-Call IT Specialists** are needed to help older adults. Schedule is flexible.
- The **Lincolnia Adult Day Health Care Center**, 4710 N. Chambliss Street, **Alexandria**, needs an **office assistant** on Fridays, 1-2:30 p.m.
- The **James Lee Senior Center**, 2855-A Annandale Road, **Falls Church**, needs a **line dance instructor** for a beginner class on Mondays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
- The **Bailey's Senior Center**, 5920 Summers Lane, **Falls Church**, needs **office assistance** with the front desk and data entry, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- The **Hollin Hall Senior Center**, 1500 Shenandoah Road, **Alexandria**, needs a **DJ** and **dance instructor**.
- **Meals on Wheels** needs drivers in **Franconia, Reston, McLean and Falls Church**.
- **Fairfax County** needs volunteers to **drive older adults to medical appointments** and wellness programs.
- The **Wakefield Senior Center**, 8100 Braddock Road, **Annandale**, needs a volunteer **art teacher**, certified instructors for **Zumba Gold** and **Pilates**, a **coin collector** to lead groups, an experienced **canasta player** to lead groups and **Spanish-speaking**

interpreters.

- The **Sully Senior Center**, 5690 Sully Road, **Centreville**, needs a **certified personal trainer** to work with older adults, for one hour two days per week.
- The **Mount Vernon Adult Day Health Care Center**, 8350 Richmond Highway, **Alexandria**, needs **social companions** for participants on Fridays from 3-5 p.m. and **front desk volunteers** on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. and 3:30-4:30 p.m.

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