

# A message from Kathy Smith

Drug Take Back Day is tomorrow! You can drop off any unused or expired medication in the lobby of the Sully District Governmental Center (4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151) on Saturday, October 28 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There is also a video below from Fairfax County's Health Department with important information about how to safely dispose of unused or unwanted medications.

Are you, or someone you know, interested in serving on the Fairfax Area Disability Service Board? The board represents and advocates for people with physical and sensory disabilities. If you are interested in serving on this board, please contact my office at 703-814-7100 or by email at <u>sully@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>. More information is below.

I hope you and your family have a fun and safe Halloween.

Sincerely,

Katty

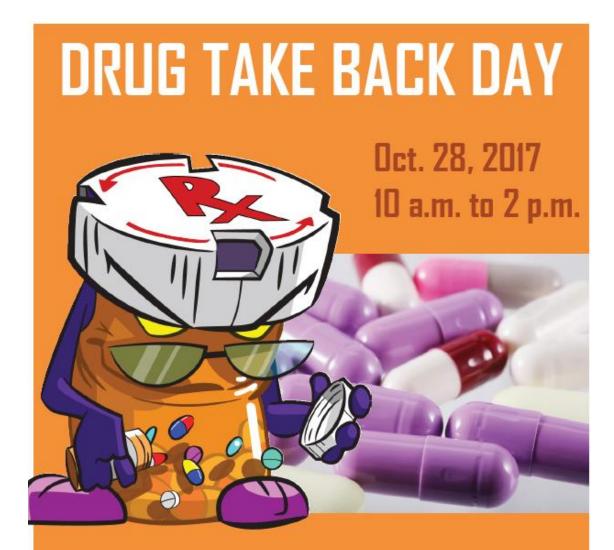
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# Reminder! Drug Take Back Day

Date: Saturday, October 28, 2017
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Location: Sully District Police Station - Lobby, 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151

For the full list of locations, please visit <a href="https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug\_disposal/takeback/">https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug\_disposal/takeback/</a>.



Safely dispose of unused or expired medication at convenient locations. Visit www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug\_disposal/takeback

Protect Your Community and Water Supply Don't Flush Medicines or Pour Down Drains

# SAFELY DISPOSE OF UNUSED MEDICATIONS

Unused medicine can accidentally poison loved ones and pets. Protect the health of our families and waterways by properly disposing of unwanted or expired medications.

Flushing medicine can contaminate our rivers and drinking water supply. Wastewater treatment plants are not designed to remove harmful chemicals from medicine.

# **3 WAYS TO PROPERLY DISPOSE MEDICINE**



#### **Drug Take Back Programs and Drop Boxes**

Ask your local pharmacy and law enforcement agencies about drug take back programs and permanent locations for drop-off boxes. Drop off boxes only accept solid medicine, no liquids or sharps.

Place in Trash



- For pills, add saltwater to dissolve.

- For liquids, add inedible substance such as kitty litter, dirt, or ash
- Seal container with duct tape and place in trash at pickup time.

**Use New Deactivation Kits** 

Place unused medicine in pouch.

Fill halfway with warm tap water and wait 30 seconds. Seal pouch and gently shake. Place in trash.

### **DEACTIVATION KITS**



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## How to Dispose of Unused or Unwanted Medications



# **Fairfax Area Disabilities Services Board**



Are you, or someone you know, interested in serving on the Fairfax Area Disability Services Board? Advisory bodies play a very important role in county government. The volunteers that make up this board are appointed by elected officials of Fairfax County, City of Falls Church, and the City of Fairfax to represent and advocate for people with physical and sensory disabilities. It is a three year term, and monthly meetings are held in the evening at the Fairfax County Government Center. Please be prepared to provide a current résumé. Additional information about this board is available online at https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/disabilities/fa-disability-servicesboard.htm.

If you are interested in serving on this board, please contact our office at <u>sully@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>, or by phone at 703-814-7100.

# **VDOT: Incident Management Open House**





Join VDOT and our public safety partners to learn how we work as a team to quickly clear incidents from our roads. Walk through a crash scene, see response vehicles, and meet responders!

vdotopenhouse.eventbrite.com | @vadotnova



VDOT NOVA District Office | 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax

# Trick or Treat! Your Guide to Halloween 2017



It is time for silly and spooky costumes in all corners of our community. As we celebrate Halloween, here are a few things to know.

#### When is Trick-or-Treating?:

This may seem like a silly question, but some communities, cities, and counties designate a specific time and sometimes a day other than October 31 for trick-or-treating. **Fairfax County Government does not set a different date. Halloween is Tuesday, October 31.** Your homeowners association or apartment complex may set times for events, but neighborhood trick-or-treating is generally the evening of October 31.

#### Safety Tips for Trick-or-Treaters:

1. Children should only visit homes that have their porch lights on.

- Inspect your children's candy before they eat it especially for any food allergies (some people use teal pumpkins to distribute allergy-free treats).
- 3. Make sure children know their phone number and address and to provide this information to a police officer in an emergency or if lost.
- Stay on sidewalks and avoid walking in streets, if possible. Cross streets only at the corner and never cross between parked vehicles or midblock.
- 5. And when trick-or-treating, use battery-powered lights, keep your devices charged and pick a place to meet if you get lost.



#### **Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Design Public Hearings**

Design Public Hearings on the Transform I-66 Outside the Beltway Project will be held **November 13, 14, and 16**. The hearings will feature an open house format to enable the public to view designs and other materials. Staff from the Virginia Department of Transportation; its private partner, I-66 Express Mobility Partners; and the design-build contractor, FAM Construction will be available to answer questions. A formal presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Monday, November 13, 2017 (6:00 to 8:30 p.m.) Oakton High School Cafeteria 2900 Sutton Road Vienna, VA 22181

Tuesday, November 14, 2017 (6:00 to 8:30 p.m.) Stone Middle School Cafeteria 5500 Sully Park Drive Centreville, VA 20120

Thursday, November 16, 2017 (6:00 to 8:30 p.m.) Piney Branch Elementary School Cafeteria/Gym 8301 Linton Hall Road Bristow, VA 20136

Design plans and other materials are posted <u>here</u> for review prior to the hearings.

Transform 66 Outside the Beltway design plans are available for viewing at these public locations.

You may email comments to <u>Transform66@VDOT.virginia.gov</u> or mail them to Susan Shaw, P.E., Megaprojects Director, at the VDOT Northern Virginia District Office: 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030. Please reference "Transform 66 Outside the Beltway" in the subject line. The comment deadline is **November 29, 2017**.

If you need more information or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact VDOT's Civil Rights at 703-259-1775 or TTY/TDD 711.

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

1,000 Books Across Fairfax Date: Saturday, November 4 Time: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Join us for an all-day read-in to celebrate the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten's anniversary.

Chair Yoga Date: Wednesday, November 8

# **Events at Centreville Regional Library**

Time : 2:00 p.m.

Gentle restorative yoga class. Cosponsored by the Friends of the Centreville Regional Library: Age: Older adults.

Learn about Becoming a Foster Parent Date: Tuesday, November 14 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Fairfax County's Department of Family Services presents information on transforming a child's life as a foster home provider. Age: Adults.

For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/ce/">https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/ce/</a>.

# Fall Driving: Be Alert for Deer



Fall is here and white-tailed deer are on the move. Fall is the breeding season for deer and drivers can expect to see more of them on the roadways as they search for mates. Deer movements and behaviors are unpredictable and deer-vehicle collisions are a serious public safety concern.

According to an <u>October 2017 State Farm report</u>, Virginia ranks 11<sup>th</sup> in the nation for the likelihood of drivers being involved in a collision with a deer. One out of 94 drivers will have an insurance claim in 2017 as a result of a deer-vehicle collision. The average national cost per claim from July 2016 through June 2017 was \$4,179, up from \$3,995 last year.

Approximately 50 percent of all deer-vehicle collisions occur during the months of October, November and December. Deer are especially active pre-dawn to mid-morning, and dusk to early evening. These periods of activity correspond with the time when many Fairfax County residents are commuting to and from work or school. Drive cautiously, especially during these times, and be on the lookout for deer on our roadways.

We, along with the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, urge motorists to be alert, drive carefully and remember these safety tips:

- Watch for eye shine along roadsides. If you see one deer, likely there
  will be others. If one deer crosses the road as you approach, others
  may follow.
- Use high beams when traffic permits to spot deer at a greater distance.
- If a deer is stopped in the roadway, reduce speed and flash your headlights. Deer can become mesmerized or blinded by bright steady lights.
- Drivers should apply brakes, even stop if necessary, to avoid hitting a deer, but should never swerve out of the lane to miss a deer. A collision with another vehicle, tree or other object is likely to be more serious than hitting a deer.

- Take foot off brake at time of impact. This action reduces the likelihood of deer crashing through a windshield or windows upon impact.
- Rely on your caution and your own senses. Never depend on hood whistles, car horns, or other devices to scare deer out of your path.
   Several studies have shown that these devices do not always work.
- Drivers who collide with a deer (or bear), thereby killing the animal, may keep it for their own use provided that they report the accident to a law enforcement officer where the accident occurred and the officer views the animal and gives the person a possession certificate.

If a deer is injured or killed, immediately report the collision to us on our nonemergency line at 703-691-2131.

For more information, please see the following video PSA on deer/vehicle safety:

Stay Alert! Deer are on Move: https://youtu.be/PXdtN-pJilM.



# **Events at E.C. Lawrence Park**

New Deal Connections Van Tour Saturday, November 11 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

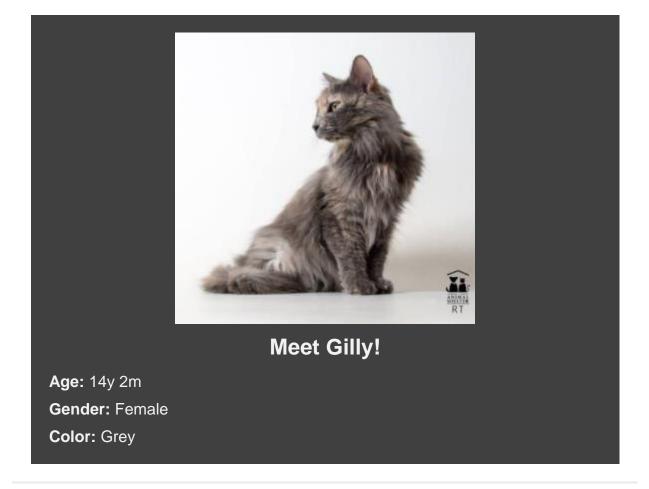
Learn about the world in which Ellanor C. Lawrence and her husband, news reporter David Lawrence, lived as you take a ride through the past. The program meets at Middlegate, and begins with an introduction to the Lawrences and their views on the New Deal. Then visit the Sears-Spindle House before travelling to Greenbelt, Maryland, to visit the Greenbelt Museum historic house and tour the New Deal planned community. Van departs from Ellanor C. Lawrence Park at 9:00 a.m. and return at 5:00 p.m. Includes transportation and admissions. Cost: \$53 (Fairfax County resident); \$68 (non-resident). <u>Click here to register.</u>

Celebrate Centreville's Past Sunday, November 12 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Join us at historic Cabell's Mill to uncover artifacts, search newly discovered maps, decipher ancient documents, and enjoy a lively and enlightening discussion of historical sites in old Centreville. This event is a partnership between the Centreville Historical Society and Ellanor C. Lawrence Park and will feature a research talk by Debbie Robison. The program will be located at Cabell's Mill (5235 Walney Road, Centreville). Cost: Free. <u>Click here to register.</u>

Artistically Inspired Sunday, November 12 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Gather friends and family to create beautiful crafts inspired by our history and natural world. Learn about the history of the crafts and natural resources will be using. November's craft will explore the history and artistry of teacups and using fall foliage to create votives. Ages: 8 and up. Cost: \$10 (Fairfax County resident); \$12 (non-resident). <u>Click here to register.</u>

Ellanor C. Lawrence Park is located at 5040 Walney Road in Chantilly, VA. For more information, visit <u>Ellanor C. Lawrence Park</u> or call 703-631-0013.



# **Animal Shelter Corner**

Spayed/Neutered: Yes Size: Medium Declawed: No

Teeny miss Gilly is an elegant little thing, can you tell? She enjoys laps and attention and will even sit still while you groom her gorgeous coat. Gilly can sometimes sound growly, but that's just her talking to you! Three of her favorite things: Calm homes, treats, and chin scratches! If you are interested in meeting Gilly, please email the Animal Shelter at <u>animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>.

# **Volunteer Opportunity**



**Animal Shelter Volunteer** 

#### **Description:**

They are currently looking for experienced small animal room volunteers who are comfortable handling rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, rats, birds, and snakes, and have availability during the week from 12:00 to 7:00 p.m.

#### **Qualifications:**

To be a volunteer at the FCAS, you must be 18 years or older and must pass a criminal background check. Volunteers are asked to give a minimum of six hours per month for a minimum of six months. Volunteers must be able to stand for extended lengths of time and lift 35 pounds unassisted. Volunteers interacting with animals need to be comfortable handling and interacting with the animals independently.

**Time Commitment:** You will be expected to volunteer 6 hours per month for 6 months.

#### Location:

4500 West Ox Road Fairfax, VA 22030

#### Contact:

ASDVolunteer@fairfaxcounty.gov http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/animalshelter

To apply for this opportunity, please contact the volunteer coordinator directly, using this contact information.