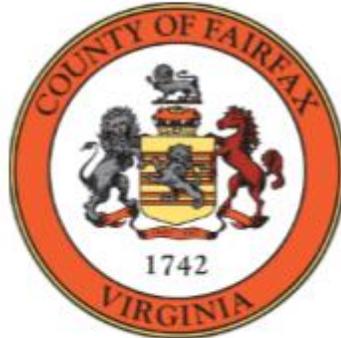


Sull-E Newsletter



A message from Kathy Smith

This week we had exciting news about our community's next grocery option. The Chantilly Wegmans is opening in the spring of next year! Our office is starting a countdown clock and getting very excited for this popular chain opening here in Sully District. Below, you can check out a photo of the new signs that went up on the site. This week also marked the first opportunity to purchase townhouses at the Preserve at Westfields.



Scroll through this week's newsletter to find information about preparing your taxes, hypothermia prevention programs, volunteer opportunities, and more information about celebrations planned for Fairfax County's 275th anniversary.

Sincerely,

Katty

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Animal Shelter Corner



Meet Molly! Molly is a friendly dog who eagerly greets people, loves to run and be outside, and has even lived with other dogs in the past! If you're looking for a medium-sized dog to be your BFF, consider Molly! To learn more about Molly email the Animal Shelter at animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov.

TAX HELP



Free Income Tax Preparation

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA): If you **worked in 2016, and earned less than \$54,000**, then you may qualify for this free service provided by community volunteers who are designated by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as certified tax preparers. They will ensure that you receive the maximum tax refund and help determine if you are eligible for tax credits. You will need to [bring a photo ID and other documents](#).

Families throughout Northern Virginia received over \$9.5 million in federal refunds last tax season through this free service.

[Get VITA Dates and Locations](#)

[Click here to watch a video about the VITA program and how it can help you](#)

Income Assistance for Older Adults: Our county Library branches also host the AARP Foundation Tax Aide Program, which provides free help in preparing and filing state and federal income tax returns. Offered in cooperation with the IRS, the Tax Aide Program provides free tax assistance services for low- and middle-income taxpayers, with special attention given to those age 50 and over.

[Get AARP Tax Aide Program Dates and Locations](#)

Free Tax Information

Doing your taxes can be overwhelming and complicated. There are a number of free information resources to help you through the process:

- [Tips for Choosing a Tax Preparer](#)
- [State Income Tax Information](#)
- [Tax Forms and Information From the Library](#)
- [Information for People with Disabilities](#)

Customer Service Phone Numbers:

Federal Income Tax

(Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.)

1-800-829-1040

Virginia State Income Tax

(Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

804-367-8031

Fairfax County Taxes

(Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

703-222-8234

TTY 711

Tax Relief Workshops Scheduled for March



On the local tax front, the Board of Supervisors will host a series of **free tax relief workshops in March** at several locations throughout the county. Real estate tax relief is **available for older adults and people with disabilities who meet certain qualifications**. You may also be eligible for [car tax relief](#) and [tax relief for renters](#). County staff from the [Department of Tax Administration](#) will be on hand to assist with filling out the application forms and to answer questions. [Learn more about tax relief in Fairfax County](#).

[Get Tax Relief Dates and Locations](#)

Hypothermia Prevention Program for the Homeless



To help our vulnerable neighbors survive the winter, Fairfax County provides overnight shelter with a “no turn-away” policy at all [emergency homeless shelters](#) during freezing weather. Through the coldest months of the winter, they also provide the [Hypothermia Prevention Program](#), a countywide community network of 45 overnight shelters.

Through this program last winter, our nonprofit and faith-based community partners served almost 1,000 men and women with a safe, warm place to sleep.

If you see someone at night who is unsheltered and you think could be at risk of hypothermia, call the county’s non-emergency phone line at 703-691-2131, TTY 711.

Fairfax County's 275th Anniversary



During the calendar year of 2017, Fairfax County will mark its anniversary with events celebrating our wonderful history. The signature celebration of the commemoration will take place on **June 17, 2017** in the area surrounding the historic courthouse in central Fairfax. That day you will find a myriad of events, historical organizations, entertainment, living history, performances, and hands-on family friendly activities - all free, and open to the public.

February 2017 County History Events (some events require registration):

February 3: "Storytelling: Bootlegging Past," Riverbend Park, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., \$8-\$10 per person

February 4: "Historic Fairfax Courthouse Open House," Fairfax Courthouse, 10:00 to 3:00 p.m., FREE

February 5: "Maple Syrup Boil-Down," Colvin Run Mill, 12:00 to 2:00 p.m., \$5 per person

February 7: "Researching Slavery in Court Records," Burke Centre Library, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., FREE, registration required

February 11: "African Americans at Walney Walking Tour," Ellanor C Lawrence Park, 11:00 to 12:00 p.m., \$6 per person

February 11: "Toys at Historic Huntley," Huntley Meadows Park, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., \$7-

\$9 per person

February 18-20: "George Washington's Birthday Celebration Weekend," Mount Vernon, free with regular admission; FREE admission on February 20

February 22: "George Washington's 285th Birthday!", Mount Vernon, FREE admission

February 25: "A Slave No More: Lewis Lee of Fairfax Court House," Historic Blenheim, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., FREE

Dulles Suburban Center Advisory Group Meeting



As part of the [Dulles Suburban Center Study](#), the Group is discussing land use and possible changes to the Comprehensive Plan for the area. Over the next four months, they will examine individual land units and specific proposals within the Dulles Suburban Center.

On [Monday, February 6, 2017](#), the Group will [discuss Land Units G and H](#). We encourage you to attend the meeting and stay informed!

Meeting Information:

Dulles Suburban Center Advisory Group Meeting

Monday, February 6, 2017 at **7 p.m.**

Sully Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly, VA 20151

For additional information, please visit the Dulles Suburban Center Study website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/dullessuburbancenter/>.

Volunteer Opportunity in Sully



Cub Run Stream Valley Park Habitat Restoration!

Did you know that invasive plants are a huge threat to local wildlife, including migrating birds? Help out these creatures by volunteering to remove invasive plants and restore habitat!

Purpose: To restore parkland through the removal of invasive plants and planting of native species.

Duties: Volunteers will manually remove invasive plants and plant native species.

Volunteer Benefits: Volunteers will immediately be able to see how their efforts have had a positive impact on parkland. Volunteers will make parks they volunteer at more aesthetically pleasing and improve the quality of habitat for local wildlife.

This opportunity is suitable for: Interns, Court-appointed volunteers, Those under age 18, School class credit, Summer-only volunteers

Qualifications: No prior experience necessary, a short training and introduction will be provided at the beginning of every opportunity.

Additional Info: Children 11-15yr must be accompanied by adult.

Location: Cub Run Stream Valley Park, Centreville, VA 20120

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