

A message from Kathy Smith

Happy Halloween! In this week's newsletter you will find information about upcoming Halloween events around the county and trick-or-treating safety tips. Need a safe ride home from a Halloween event this weekend? Get a free Lyft ride up to \$15 from 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 27 to 4:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 28, 2018 in the Washington. D.C. coverage area. More information is below.

This Saturday, October 27 is Operation Medicine Cabinet Cleanout at the Sully Governmental Center (4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151). From 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. you can drop off unused or expired medications. Disposal is free, convenient, confidential, and safe. More information is below in the "Reminders" section.

Sincerely,

Reminder! A Walk in the Park with Supervisor Smith



Reminders!

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2018 Chantilly Fall Festival:

Date: Saturday, October 27, 2018

Time: 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Location: Ox Hill Baptist Church (4101 Elmwood Street, Chantilly, VA 20151)

Admission is free to the community and will include: a moon bounce, games, music, food, face painting, and much more! Lots of information, exhibits, and fun activities for the entire family. For additional information call 703-324-5347, TTY 711, or click here.

Historic All Hallows Eve at the Sully Historic Site:

Date: Saturday, October 27, 2018

Time: 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Location: Sully Historic Site (3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly, VA 20151)

In the 18th and 19th centuries, Virginians celebrated All Hallows Eve with storytelling, fortune telling, fall foods, and family gatherings. Experience these traditions as you tour the house and grounds at <u>Sully Historic Site</u> by lantern light. For more information, call 703-437-1794. Cost: \$9. Ages: 5 and older. To register for this event, click <u>here</u>.

Trick or Treat! Your Guide to Halloween 2018



It is time for scary, silly, and all kinds of costumes in all corners of our community. Here are a few things to know about Halloween in Fairfax County.

When is Trick-or-Treating?:

Some communities, cities, and counties, designate a day other than October 31 for trick-or-treating. Fairfax County Government does NOT set a different date. Halloween is Wednesday, October 31. Your homeowners associations 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-Treating:

- 1. Children should only visit homes that have their porch lights on or active Halloween decorations.
- 2. Inspect your children's candy before they eat it.

- Make sure children know their phone number and address and they should be able to provide this information to a police officer in an emergency or if lost.
- 4. Stay on sidewalks and avoid walking in streets (if possible).
- 5. And when trick-or-treating, use battery-powered lights, keep your devices charges and pick a place to meet if you get lost.

Looking for events? Check out these links:

- Park Authority Events, Burke Lake Ghost Train
- Halloween Thrills at Community Centers
- <u>Library Events</u> (search "Halloween")
- Visit Fairfax Event Listings

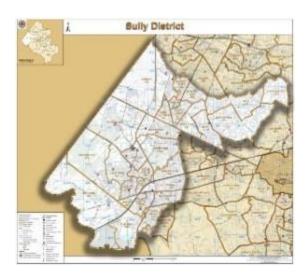
Nextdoor Treat Map:

We participate on the free, private neighborhood social media network called Nextdoor. If you are a member, which many people are in the county, you can mark your home as trick-or-treat friendly. Additionally, our Police Department is participating in many "Trunk or Treat" events; check the Police Department Nextdoor page for details.

View Nextdoor's Treat Map

To read the full article, click here.

Sully Land Use Spotlight



Upcoming Meetings:

Land Unit J Task Force -

Board of Supervisors Meeting -

The Board of Supervisors will meet on Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035) in the Board Auditorium. The meeting will be televised live on Channel 16. There is one Sully District case on the agenda. More information is below. To view the agenda and meeting materials, click here.

SEA 97-Y-050 (Arlington Fairfax Chapter Inc. of the Izaak Walton League of America) -

Located at 14620 & 14708 Mount Olive Road in Centreville, VA 20122. Tax Map 64-2 ((01)) 20 and 65-1 ((01)) 25B. This application is to amend the governing Special Exception to add land area, permit site modification, and update the development conditions. County staff recommends approval, subject to the proposed development conditions contained in Appendix 1. For more information about this application, click here.

Planning Commission Meeting -

The Planning Commission will meet on Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035) in the Board Auditorium. The meeting will be televised live on Channel 16. There are no Sully District cases currently on the agenda.

Volunteer Opportunity



Volunteers Needed for "Scouting for Food" Drive

Volunteers are needed to help with the annual Boy Scout "Scouting for Food" Drive to benefit Western Fairfax Christian Ministries' Food Pantry. It is set for Saturday, November 10, at the parking garage at 14280 Park Meadow Drive in Chantilly. Students, families, and other groups are welcome to lend a hand. Strong arms/backs are helpful to lift crates of food and to also be a truck driver helper.

Three hour shifts are available between 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information and to sign up email ScoutingForFood@wfcmva.org.

Get a Free Ride Home on Halloween with SoberRide







Para obtener un viaje a casa gratis con Lyft (hasta \$15) este Halloween

Visite www.SoberRide.com para el código

Códigos limitados disponibles
Ingrese el código en la sección Promo de la aplicación. Válido hasta un valor de 515 de descuento en un pasaje
tomado en el área metropolitana de Washington, D.C. desde las 10:00 p.m. sábado 27 de octubre hasta 4:00 a.m.
de domingo 28 del 2018. Usted debe tener 21 años de edad o más para reclamar esta oferta.
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VDOT: Incident Management Open House



Date: Saturday, November 10, 2018

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Location: VDOT Northern Virginia District Office (4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA

22030)

Every day, incidents happen across the National Capital Region. There's a team of agencies who work together to clear the roads and get you moving again.

Meet the team of responders from VDOT, law enforcement, fire and rescue, towing, and more at the Incident Management Open House. **Admission is free.**

An outdoor touch-a-truck exhibit with 50+ pieces of apparatus will feature a simulated crash scene to help the public see an incident from the perspective of first responders who work in the roadway every day. Attendees can watch live demonstrations of patient extrication, towing recovery, drone operations, and tree removal. For more information, and to register, click here.

County Seeks Community Input on Funding Pool Priorities



Fairfax County is seeking public input in an effort to validate community priorities for committing county funds to address human services needs. The county's Consolidated Community Funding Pool (CCFP) is an allocation of funds earmarked by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to be administered to local nonprofits and community-based organizations as an investment in programs and services that fill identified needs within communities across the county. Funding is awarded on a two-year cycle.

In preparation for the next funding cycle (FY2021-2022), beginning July 1, 2020, county staff is gathering insight and feedback from the community on the current CCFP priority areas:

- Housing
- Literacy/Educational Development/Attainment
- Financial Stability

- Health
- Support/Community/Social Networks
- Positive Behaviors and Healthy Relationships

Your feedback is important. Please take a moment to share your thoughts and opinions by taking the Community Feedback Survey online. The survey will be available until **Saturday**, **December 15**, **2018**. All responses will be anonymous.

Video: Got to Smoke It? Sink It or Soak It!



Improperly discarded smoking materials is one of the leading cause of fire in Fairfax County. On May 2nd alone there were three major, multiple alarm fires caused by improperly discarded smoking materials. Monetary damages for those three fires was in excess of \$13 Million!

These fires were totally preventable! If you smoke, please take a moment to learn how to prevent starting a fire.

Medicaid Applications Accepted Beginning November 1

Who Qualifies for Virginia Medicaid? Childless Adult Parent (family of 3) Person with Disability





Currently:

Not Eligible

Eligible with annual income at or below \$6,900

income at or below \$9,700

Beginning 2019:

Eligible with annual income at or below \$16,754

Eligible with annual income at or below \$28,677

Eligible with annual income at or below \$16,754

Applications will be accepted for Virginia's New Health Coverage for Adults beginning **November 1, 2018**.

Thousands of Virginians aged 19-64 will be able to apply for low or no-cost health coverage so they don't have to worry about getting sick or having an accident.

Coverage will begin on January 1, 2019 for those who apply and are able to enroll.

Visit <u>CoverVA.org</u> to learn more about the new guidelines and find out how to apply.

5 Things to Know from the 2018 Youth Survey



E-cigarettes, cyberbullying, and depression are among the issues affecting our kids in 2018. The question is, how much is the impact? And, of course, what can we do to help our kids?

Read Youth Survey Results Highlights Presentation

Read Full Youth Survey Report

Three to Succeed:

You can actively help a teen to succeed and avoid/reduce risk behaviors. The Three to Succeed analysis in the Youth Survey shows that teens having at least three of these six positive factors and support from their community can help them succeed and flourish.

- Having high personal integrity.
- Performing community service.
- Having teachers recognize good work.
- Having community adults to talk to.
- Participating in extracurricular activities.
- Having parents available for help.

Five Top Takeaways from the 2017-2018 Youth Survey:

- 1. **E-cigarette use more than doubled in just one year.** Past 30-day e-cigarette use (9.7%) more than doubled since 2016 and continues to be more prevalent than regular cigarette use (2.6%).
- 2. Marijuana use continues to remain at relatively low levels.

 Lifetime (17.8%) and past 30-day (9.5%) marijuana use has plateaued after decreasing since 2013.
- 3. **Cyberbullying rates continue to drop.** Reported rates of being a victim of cyberbullying (9.7%), as well as being an aggressor (4.3%), continued to decrease in 2017.
- 4. **Students are eating fewer fruits and vegetables.** The number of youth who eat five or more fruits and vegetables per day (22.5%) is at its lowest rate since 2010.

5. **Depressive symptom rates increased, but remain low.** However, the prevalence of overall depressive symptoms (27.3%) for 8th, 10th, and 12th grade students increased from its lowest rate in 2016. 6th graders reported prevalence of depressive symptoms (22.3%) at its highest rate since 2011.

To read the full article, click here.

Animal Shelter Corner



Meet Pumpkin & Spyder!

Pumpkin is a pretty good name for this guy. He's orange, he's round, and he weighs 16 pounds! He and his best friend Spyder were surrendered to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter when their owner could no longer care for them due to an allergy in the home, and the shelter is determined to find them a home together! They've lived together their whole lives and got really stressed

when they were separated. Both boys are five and a half years old, have perfect litter box habits, are social, love to play, and have lived with senior citizens AND kids. Basically they're perfect! Pumpkin is more of a lap cat and Spyder is the more playful of the two, so you can have the best of both worlds if you adopt this pair!!

For more information about Pumpkin and Spyder contact the Fairfax County Animal Shelter at 703-830-1100 or email AnimalShelter@fairfaxcounty.gov.